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GOP in Bugging Inquiry

WASHINGTON — (UPI) —

The Committee to re-elect President Nixon is conducting its own investigation of the alleged breaking and bugging of the Democratic National Committee headquarters, its spokesman said today.

Devan Shumway said the inquiry had been going on for some time and indicated that a report may be forthcoming soon.

Five men were arrested at the Democratic headquarters in the Watergate Apartments on June 17. They included James W. McCord, who was dismissed from his post as security chief for the committee two days later.

McCord was bound over to a federal grand jury yesterday. The other four men waived preliminary hearings.

The committee chairman at the time, former Attorney General John Mitchell, denied any committee connection with the break-in. He also denied anyone on the committee authorized the activity.