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Special Prosecutor Tells Battle Plans

WASHINGTON (AP) — Special Prosecutor Archibald Cox moved into his new headquarters Thursday and described his battle plans that range from probes of campaign shenanigans in Florida to corporate deals on the West Coast.

"There are a great many things that haven't been gone into deeply enough to even know how big a staff you'd need," Cox said in an interview. "For example there's been very little digging into Donald Segretti and his link to (Charles) Colson."

Segretti is the Republican campaign worker accused in Florida of violating federal campaign laws. Colson was until last March special counsel to President Nixon.

"There's been a lot of newspaper digging into the ITT (International Telephone and Telegraph Corp.) affair, but very little investigation by the Department of Justice or other government agencies," Cox said.

ITT had been accused in news reports of offering substantial funds to help finance the GOP convention in return for the quashing of antitrust suits pending against it. It is the eighth largest corporation in the nation.

Cox expects that to begin his special investigation he will need a staff of "40 to 50 professionals with supporting personnel. It could go bigger. I doubt if it could be less."

"We will certainly draw on the services of the FBI. How far we will draw on the services of the Justice Department is a little hard to say. We are

drawing on it at the present time. They've been very helpful.

"We will certainly draw on U.S. attorneys around the country for their assistance. There'll be a break in the normal chain of command at some level in the Justice Department. They will report to me and my assistants exclusively, rather than up the normal channels to the attorney general."

Cox, a former Harvard law professor and solicitor general, has been working nearly 18 hours a day. He is still assembling his staff.

"This is an extremely complex thing with the masses of data, information to bring together," he said.