

White House Spying Claimed

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Sen. Lowell R. Weicker (R-Conn.) says he has evidence that the White House spied on a dozen major politicians and used the Internal Revenue Service to pry loose data on entertainers such as Frank Sinatra and Sammy Davis Jr.

Weicker said he also has White House and other Nixon administration documents to show that IRS tax intelligence was used to protect such "White House friends" as evangelist Billy Graham and movie star John Wayne once tax audits on them began.

Weicker, a member of the Senate Watergate committee, said he has obtained other documents showing the full extent of more than 50 political investigations conducted by the White House between 1969 and 1972 by undercover political operative Anthony Ulasewicz.

Other newly uncovered documentations show the "blatant," improper and perhaps illegal use of such federal agencies as the IRS to move against so-called political enemies, Weicker said.

He said he has also received new evidence of the use of intelligence from the Depart-



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ment of Commerce and the Pentagon to embarrass Sens. Edmund S. Muskie (D-Maine) and George McGovern (D-S.D.) and to use U.S. Army intelligence operatives to spy on a Democratic Party affiliate in Berlin.

Weicker is scheduled to present his evidence Monday before three Senate subcommittees holding joint hearings into political spying and the use of warrantless wiretaps

for "national security" purposes.

Weicker did not explain why the White House would be interested in checking the tax records of Sinatra and Davis, both Nixon backers in 1972.

Ulasewicz acknowledged in sworn testimony before the Watergate committee last summer that he was the paymaster for the arrested Watergate conspirators. He also acknowledged doing intensive intelligence work on political figures for the White House. He answered affirmatively when Weicker asked him if he hadn't "dealt in dirt" or allegations of it during his investigations.

Weicker said he has documents to confirm or add these names to the list of Ulasewicz' investigaitve targets:

Alabama Gov. George C. Wallace, former New York City Mayor John V. Lindsay, former Sen. George Murphy (R-Calif.); and Sens. Mark Hatfield (R-Ore.), John V. Tunney (D-Calif.), Edward M. Kennedy (D-Mass.), Edmund S. Muskie (D-Maine), William Proxmire (D-Wis.), Hubert H. Humphrey (D-Minn.), Quentin Burdick (D-N.D.), Vance Hartke (D-Ind.) and former Sen. Albert Gore (D-Tenn.).