

pressed concern last summer that the "insinuations and appearances and allegations" arising from the Watergate incident might be harmful to his presidential campaign and urged his aides to "get the facts" on the case and make them known, according to H.R. (Bob) Haldeman, the President's former chief of staff.

In a sworn deposition released this week, Haldeman said that after the election, the President again expressed his desire to have "the whole matter be cleared up and made known so that it wouldn't be hanging over into the second term."

Despite the President's concern, Haldeman said the President did not request a formal report on the Watergate from White House counsel John W. Dean III until March 20.

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