

DeLoach Linked to Kopechne Data

Washington, June 27 - A former F.B.I. official, Cartha D. DeLoach, reportedly obeyed a White House request in the summer of 1969 for a report on Mary Jo Kopechne [according to Senate testimony yesterday by John W. Dean 3d].

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Mr. Dean said that the White House request for a report on Miss Kopechne reached the Justice Department, where he was working in mid-1969, and was relayed to him by the then Deputy Attorney General Richard G. Kleindienst.

Mr. Dean said, "Kleindienst instructed me to call Mr. DeLoach, then deputy director of the F.B.I., and obtain from him information regarding the foreign travels of Mary Jo Kopechne. "

Sources [other than DeLoach, who refused comment] said the F.B.I. inquiry into Miss Kopechne [disclosed] no indication of foreign travel.

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The sources said that they did not know why the Nixon White House was interested in Miss Kopechne's "foreign travel" but speculation is that it was an effort to learn whether any trip of her coincided with any of Edward Kennedy's.

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(DeLoach was formerly No. 3 under Hoover until retiring in July 71; at time of story was "an official of Pepsico Corporation.)