

Mrs. Mitchell Unhappy

WASHINGTON, Feb. 15 (UPI)—Mrs. John N. Mitchell said today that she was “very unhappy” her husband had resigned as Attorney General. Between sobs she said, “I think it is a very bad move.”

“I feel comme ci, comme ça—which means I feel he was better in the Justice Department than he would be in the Citizens for Nixon,” Mrs. Mitchell said.

She said her husband broke the news to her last night. “He said the President needed him,” she said, but she added:

“I think it is a very bad move. The Justice Department needs him more. He has done more for the Justice Department than anybody else has done.”

“I feel Mr. Nixon doesn’t need anyone. He will be re-

lected on his own,” she said.

Mrs. Mitchell said she had realized for a long time what her husband planned to do. She said she had passed on her views to President Nixon indirectly and had got the same response as from her husband—that Mr. Mitchell was needed in the campaign.

“I’m very said,” she said. “I tried to talk him out of it because I don’t think the President needs a campaign manager.”

“It just breaks my heart,” she said. “It just breaks my heart.” She said that Mr. Mitchell had been perhaps “the greatest Attorney General the country ever had.”

She was not as complimentary toward his successor—Deputy Attorney General Richard G. Kleindienst.

“I don’t have any views on Kleindienst,” she said.

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