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Aerial photo of Nixon Key Biscayne compound, inside dotted line: (1) helicopter pad; (2) 516 Bay Lane, the former President's office; (3) 500 Bay Lane, Nixon's house; (4) 490 Bay Lane, Bebe Rebozo's house; (5) 478 Bay Lane, Robert Abplanalp's house; (6) 468 Bay Lane, house belonging to Abplanalp's lawyer, Ed Campbell, formerly leased to the Secret Service, and (7) guard house.

SECRET SERVICE MOVING OUT

By mid-December, the U.S. Secret Service will completely phase out its entire security operation of ex-President Richard Nixon's Key Biscayne, Fla., retreat. Come Dec. 15th, there will be no Secret Service agents at the Nixon Key Biscayne compound--unless, of course, the Nixons by then are residing there.

"What we'd like to make clear to the U.S. taxpayer," says a Treasury Department spokesman, "is that the Secret Service is charged with securing only one residence of an ex-President. We know that Key Biscayne will not be Mr. Nixon's full-time residence. As of now his full-time residence will be his home at San Clemente, Calif., and that's where we are providing protection for him and Mrs. Nixon."

Over the past few months the Secret Service has seen to it that the air

corridor and Coast Guard restrictions have been lifted from the Key Biscayne compound. Whatever security equipment could be salvaged from there has been removed.

Like the Nixon residence at San Clemente, the Key Biscayne compound generated much controversy because of taxpayer's money spent on improving it.

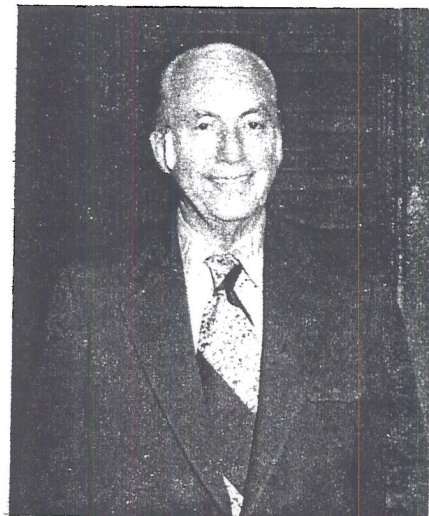
Arthur F. Sampson, the General Services Administrator, admitted to a House subcommittee last year that the total sum for improvements, equipment, and maintenance at the Key Biscayne complex as of June, 1973, was \$1,180,522 including \$136,137 on the Nixon residences, which Mr. Nixon bought prior to assuming the Presidency in 1969.

One of the major expenditures was \$400,000 for a helicopter landing pad.

The Key Biscayne complex consists of five properties: 516 Bay Lane is Nixon's office; 500 Bay Lane is Nixon's residence;

the two adjoining homes are owned by Bebe Rebozo and Bob Abplanalp, and the fifth residence, 468 Bay Lane was formerly occupied by Secret Service agents. A spiked fence encloses the entire complex.

The compound was involved in a controversial \$45,621 allegedly spent by Rebozo in improving Nixon's two properties. One Watergate report charges that the money was derived in part from \$150,000 in campaign funds



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contributed by Howard Hughes and A. D. Davis of the Winn Dixie food chain. Rebozo has consistently denied that any campaign funds were used to improve Nixon's properties, although the committee pointed out that the improvements included a swimming pool and accessories to the Nixon house at 500 Bay Lane for \$18,435; conversion of a garage into living quarters for \$11,979; extending a roof for \$6508; erecting a fireplace for \$3586, and another \$4500 spent for other fees and additions.

Of this sum, Mr. Nixon repaid Rebozo with a check in the amount of \$13,642 for the pool addition.

The Secret Service agents and security police are in the process of clearing out of their residence at 468 Bay Lane which has been leased to the government at \$18,000 a year by Mr. Abplanalp's lawyer who owns it. Jerry C. Clarke, 65, a veteran Key Biscayne broker, says, "I'm offering this lovely house, four bedrooms, four baths, lovely living room and other quarters at a steal-price of \$400,000. At that figure it's a sensational buy.

"To date," Clarke adds, "I've had no word that any of the four other houses are for sale. The two Nixon houses for which he paid about \$250,000--he bought one from Senator Smathers [former Sen. George Smathers (D., Fla.)], I believe, for \$127,000, something like that, and the other for \$123,000--are worth at least \$600,000 realistically speaking. I mean if Nixon's really hard up we can always get him that much for the two homes. Prices may have gone down in other sections of the country, but I'm still getting good prices here in Key Biscayne. I mean if someone comes along, you know, the type who's impressed by living in a President's house, I probably could get as much as a million for the two properties. But I wouldn't say that was realistic."