

From several items datelined Washington by James M. Naughton, under title "Nixon Conversation on Calley Reported," filed Nixon Administration:

The office of Herbert G. Klein, the President's Director of Communications, is undertaking an extensive review of plans for news censorship during a national emergency.

The review was generated by complaints last fall from Samuel J. Archibald, Washington officer of the University of Missouri Freedom of Information Center. He called secrecy surrounding an earlier emergency plan "wall-to-wall bureaucratic stupidity."

Officials at the Office of Emergency Preparedness said later that Theodore Koop, an executive with the Columbia Broadcasting System who had been named secretly to assume the role of chief censor in an emergency, had been relieved of the responsibility.

Now the officials are trying to determine whether censorship in past situations was realistic and workable and, if so, how to approach it in the future. Undecided: whether the study will be secret.

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See/9 Oct 70, "Nixon Disclosure on Censor Urged."