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FBI Chief In Meeting With Nixon

NEW YORK — (UPI) — J. Edgar Hoover, saying "justice is merely incidental to law and order," is ready to fight crime under President-elect Richard Nixon.

After an hour-long meeting with Nixon yesterday during which they discussed "internal security matters," the FBI director said the country is in "serious trouble" from lawlessness.

He said he will remain on the job to lead the fight against crime if Nixon asks him to stay.

In an interview broadcast nationally on the CBS evening news with Walter Cronkite yesterday, Hoover said "vigorous law enforcement" is the only answer to the nation's crime problem.