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**Nixon Phones Hoover;  
F.B.I. Director Is 75**

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SAN CLEMENTE, Calif., Jan. 1 (Reuters)—President Nixon telephoned today the director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, J. Edgar Hoover, to congratulate him on his 75th birthday. Later he said that he knew of no plans for the controversial F.B.I. chief to retire.

The President's comment was made in answer to reporters' questions after Mr. Nixon had told them about the call during a bill-signing ceremony.

He said that there was no indication that Mr. Hoover would retire.

Mr. Hoover said recently that he planned to stay in his job as long as his health was good, and that his doctors just told him he was in good health.

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