

On Thursday [8 Jun] Attorney General Richard Kleindienst said that the wiretap law passed by Congress in 1968 was not used until President Nixon took office. He said that since then the Justice Department has instituted 1,600 wiretaps of varying length and that 700 indictments resulted from the wiretaps. Later a spokesman for the Justice Department said that Mr. Kleindienst may have been mistaken. He said that there have only been 490 wiretaps allowed by federal courts and that they resulted in 2,140 arrests and 460 convictions.

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