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Ehrlichman, testifying 10 Dec 74 at his trial, says that today at San Clemente he had a discussion with Nixon during which he predicted that the issue of clemency for those involved in the Watergate break-in would come up at some time in the future, and advised Nixon against it. "We agreed he would never entertain a conversation on this subject with anybody " *

"Ehrlichman asserted that it was not until he listened to the White House tapes that he learned the President secretly planned with [Colson] in January of 1973 to grant clemency to [Hunt]. The statement conflicted sharply with the testimony of Dean, and to some extent of Colson, who both had said Ehrlichman had figured prominently in backstage maneuvering with Hunt's lawyer in the effort 'to keep Mr. Hunt happy.'"

WXP 11 Dec 74, George Lardner Jr.

*This conversation takes place during a walk along the beach.

- See entry 11 Dec 74, Ehrlichman, in testimony
- See entry 7 Jul 72, Hunt - Bittman receives