

Witness: Gordon Strachan (2)

23 Jul 73 ①

Nixon refuses to release tape recordings to Ervin committee and Cox. In letter to Ervin says, "the tapes are entirely consistent with what I know to be the truth and what I have stated to be the truth." "None has been transcribed or made"

In separate letter to Ervin says "no useful purpose" will be served by meeting with him (see 12 Jul); is willing to go through with a meeting if Ervin insists, but Ervin says he will not.

SFC [NYT] 24 Jul 73 *public and none will be."

Ervin signs wrong subpoena (reportedly due to ~~numerical~~ error on the part of a committee staff ~~member~~ member) which orders Nixon to appear before committee 24 Jul; second subpoena is also wrong; third version calls only for production of tapes and documents.

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~~Nixon's popularity reaches new low point~~

Tapes - Buzhardt is served with subpoena by Cox; Garment is served with two subpoenas by Ervin committee. Letter from Cox to Buzhardt lists [^]tapes of the conversations he wants. AMP - 4

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Cox subpoena calls for tapes; Ervin committee subpoenas call for tapes and "other documents." *

NYT 24 Jul 73, Apple

Cox - Richardson, testifying before Senate Judiciary Committee 8 Nov 73, and consulting notes he took during a phone conversation with Haig, quotes Haig as saying, "The President wants a tight line drawn . . . and no further mistakes . . . or we'll get rid of Cox." (See entry 8 Nov 73.)

SFC 9 Nov 73 [UPI]

*Tapes subpoenaed by Ervin committee are not listed by date; NYT 25 Jul 73, Apple gives general description - see Memos on tapes.

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Bernard Kalb (CBS, State Dep't) says (no date) his office has been illegally entered and, on one occasion, ransacked. (See entry 9 July, on earlier intrusion.)

Kalb says that today he again found evidence that his office had been entered. AP: "However, department officials said janitors may have left the office in disarray. [Rogers] called Kalb to apologize and express concern over the two incidents. State Department officials said no evidence has been turned up concerning the incident. [Kalb] said nothing appeared to be missing."

WXP 28 Jul 73 [AP]

- See also "The Unsolved Break-Ins, 1970, 1974," by Robert Fink.

Rolling Stone 10 Oct 74 - filed 20 Sep 74

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④ - "On July 23 of this year, the Watergate special prosecutor issued a subpoena asking for, among other things, tapes of the 'meeting of June 20, 1972, in the President's Executive Office Building office involving Richard Nixon, John Ehrlichman and H.R. Haldeman from 10:30 a.m. to noon (time approximate).' On Aug 13 a memorandum from the [redacted] further stipulated the same meeting with the [redacted] men, with the times more exact, and indicated that two [redacted] aids had met with the President in sequence."

WXP. 29 Nov 73, Joseph Kraft

See entry 13 Aug 73, Cox, in brief