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Transcripts (WH, HJC versions) - HJC releases its own transcripts of eight WH tapes (turned over to special prosecutor 26 Nov 73), showing omissions and discrepancies in WH versions; also a side-by-side comparison made by its staff of the significant differences. A M P - A, D C

NYT: "There are differences in wording on virtually every page of the two sets of transcripts. Most of the thousands of discrepancies are inconsequential, but in dozens of cases they appear to provide a significant variation of tone or meaning. In every instance in which there is a substantial inconsistency, the President's case [is seen] in a better light in the White House transcript." A M P - B

NYT says one important difference is not contained in the staff comparison (although it apparently is included in their transcript). This seems to show that Nixon knew, as of the time of his meeting with Dean 28 Feb 73, of payments to Hunt. See story for details.

NYT 10 Jul 74, David E. Rosenbaum A M P - A - B

WXP 10 Jul 74 (four stories not checked)

House Judiciary Committee, in closed hearings, is examining witnesses. "All the witnesses to date, except [Alexander P.] Butterfield, were summoned at the request of [St. Clair] "

NYT 10 Jul 74, James M. Naughton

Butterfield - See entry, House Judiciary Committee.

Supreme Court - "On July 9, just a day after the oral arguments, the justices had unanimously decided against the President." (Ruling handed down 24 Jul 74.) A M P - D

Woodward and Bernstein, "The Final Days," p. 262.

Nixon (tapes) - See entry, Supreme Court.

Text of a comparison, made by the House Judiciary Committee, of selected passages from transcripts prepared by the committee and by the White House.

Carried by WXPost and NYTimes, 10 Jul 74. NYT includes the page numbers of the WH and HJC versions, for the relevant passages.

- WXP, NYT - 15 Sep 72, 5:23 to 6:17 p.m. Oval Office
Nixon, Haldeman, Dean
- WXP, NYT - 28 Feb 73, 9:12 to 10:23 a.m., Oval Office
Nixon, Dean
- WXP, NYT - 13 Mar 73, 12:42 to 2 p.m., Oval Office
Nixon, Dean, Haldeman
- WXP, NYT - 21 Mar 73, 10:12 to 11:55 a.m., Oval Office
Nixon, Dean, Haldeman
- WXP, NYT - 21 Mar 73, 5:20 to 6:01 p.m., EOB office (NYT
lists this as EOB Office, Job Office)
Nixon, Dean, Ehrlichman, Haldeman
- WXP, NYT*- 22 Mar 73, 1:57 to 3:43 p.m., EOB office**
Nixon, Dean, Ehrlichman, Haldeman,
Mitchell
- WXP, NYT*- 16 Apr 73, 10:00 to 10:40 a.m., Oval Office
Nixon, Dean
- WXP, NYT*- 16 Apr 73, 4:07 to 4:35 p.m., EOB office
Nixon, Dean

*NYT, 11 Jul 74.

**HJC transcript (beginning on p. 180) includes a portion at the end of this conversation which does not appear in the "Submission of Recorded Presidential Conversations, April 30, 1974" nor does it appear in the transcript provided by the White House to the Special Prosecutor in January, 1974, and to the Judiciary Committee in March, 1974.

- The portion not included in the WH version presumably begins at the end of the WH transcript, p. 310; in HJC transcript it begins on p. 180.
- See entry, 10 Jul 74, Nixon transcripts, including AMP-A, B.

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(9 Jul 74) AMP

Ⓐ - Transcript of comparison made by HJC of selected passages, showing differences between WH-edited transcripts and its own. See attached list.

NYT, WXP, 10 Jul 74 (WXP, all 8 conversations; NYT, first 5 conversations)

NYT, 11 Jul 74 (Remaining 3 conversations)

- See also entry, 21 Jun, Nixon/HJC transcripts.

Ⓑ - "There were thousands of variances between [HJC transcripts] and the President's, most of them trivial and quite likely traceable to the committee's superior audio equipment. But the substantive differences filled 131 typescript pages, and in the White House version they fell with conspicuous regularity in Mr. Nixon's favor."

Newsweek, 22 Jul 74, p. 16 - filed 15 Jul 74

Ⓒ - Official HJC transcripts (U.S. Government Printing Office) filed Books. This does not include comparison of WH and HJC versions.

Ⓓ - See entry ~~9x2x1~~ 5 Aug 74, Burger (Supreme Court ruling).