## 24 Aug 74

Nixon (possibility of rash [military] action) - Undated story. 5 "During the last days of President Nixon's term, the Secretary of Defense and the Joint Chiefs of Staff kept a close watch to make certain no orders were given to military units outside the normal chain of command. ... So Specifically, there was concern that an order could go to a military unit outside the chain of command for some sort of action against Congress during the time between a House vote for impeachment and a Senate trial on the impeachment charge. ... The special precautions were accomplished by passing the word to make sure that no military commander took an order that came from the White House or elsewhere and did not come down through military channels. ... "

SFC 24 Aug 74 [WXP, not in file]
- See entry 25 Oct 73, Alert - At 3 a.m. ...; 6 Aug 74,
Nixon meets with Cabinet; 7 Aug 74, Ford is called ...;
26 Aug 74, Nixon, possibility of rash (military) action ...

Nixon is visited by Krogh.
NYT 17 Feb 75 [UPI]

Krogh visits Nixon at San Clemente.
NYT 17 Feb 75 [UPI]

- Krogh was sentenced 24 Jan 74, served 4 months and 17 days of six-month sentence; do not have date he started serving sentence or date of release. Entry 24 Jan 74.

## (24 Aug 74) AMP

- (A)- See entry 1 Aug 74, Nixon (emergency powers).
- B- See KCBS Radio News 6 Feb 76; SFC 7 Feb 76, which includes other refs.

  See esp. WXP 11 Feb 76.
- C-"Schlesinger issued an order five days before Mr. Nixon's departure from the White House saying that no unusual military command should be acted on without first checking with the secretary of defense."

  SFC 7 Feb 76 [no byline, no attribution; quotation above is paraphrase of statement by Alan Cranston]
  - This clipping includes other refs.
- D See 26 Aug 74, AMP-C.