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Nixon (additional donation of papers) - GSA Administrator Arthur F. Sampson says that on behalf of the government he has accepted offer by Nixon, made by letter 28 Jan 75 (declaration of intent), to donate pre-presidential papers from the 1946-68 period. These are in addition to previous donations. They amount to 1300 cubic feet. Sampson says they will be stored at Laguna Niguel. (See 27 Dec 74, AMP-c.)

In his letter Nixon says he plans to make the material available for study and research as soon as possible and "to the fullest extent possible," but reserves the right to impose restrictions on their use and availability. *AMP-B*

"In his letter ... Mr. Nixon wrote that the offer of the materials ... 'is conditioned upon the United States, acting by and through the Administrator of General Services, seeking by all lawful means, the eventual creation of a Richard Nixon Library, and accepting it as a Presidential archival depository from such foundation, university or other organization which constructs, furnishes, equips and offers it to the United States for such use.'" This seems to mean that it is up to the United States to find such an organization. Does the acceptance of the material by Sampson commit the government to "seek" the creation of this library? Story points out that the Nixon Foundation, set up for this purpose, has been dissolved.

NYT 18 Feb 75 [AP] See entry 20 Apr 75, Nixon library.

Nixon (Jaworski) - "Jaworski said [today] that [Nixon's attorney, Miller] submitted a legal appeal to Jaworski not to indict Mr. Nixon during the weeks between Mr. Nixon's resignation and his pardon by President Ford."

As this sentence is written, it can be taken to mean either 1) that during the period between the resignation and pardon Miller asked Jaworski not to indict Nixon, or 2) that Miller (at some unspecified date) asked Jaworski not to indict Nixon during the period between the resignation and pardon. The first alternative is probably what was *AMP-A* intended by the writer. The second alternative raises the question of whether, when Miller made his appeal to Jaworski, they knew that Ford would pardon Nixon.

Jaworski says Miller's argument was that in view of the

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publicity of the impeachment proceedings and of the resignation, "a fair trial under the Constitution could not be given to Nixon, and, accordingly, it was useless to return an indictment of him." Jaworski says he had concluded, before Miller's appeal, that an indictment of Nixon would be difficult.

Jaworski's statements were made during a speech to the Texas Daily Newspaper Association.

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Jaworski)
Miller) See entry, Nixon (Jaworski)

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See also entry 5 Sep 74,
Nixon (emotional state)

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Ⓐ- In reply to request for clarification on this point, a letter from the reporter who handled the story, I.J. Vidacovich (UPI, Dallas), says:

"In a news conference before his speech, Mr. Jaworski said he learned of the pardon for the first time a few hours before it was announced on nationwide television.

"The letter from Nixon's lawyer got to him between the time Nixon resigned and the time the pardon was announced.

"So your first assumption, that 'during the month between Nixon's resignation and pardon his attorney, Miller, appealed to Jaworski not to indict Nixon ... ' is the correct one."

Letter from Vidacovich 10 Mar 75, attached to SFC 18 Feb 75 [UPI]

Ⓑ- See entry 13 Mar 75, Nixon, tax deduction