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'Hate Mail' Increases at White House

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The Secret Service has drastically tightened security at the White House because of an increase in "hate mail" threatening the lives of President Nixon and the first family, U.S. News & World Report said yesterday.

The magazine said that all hand-carried envelopes and packages must now be checked by police or given a fluoroscope test before they can be delivered on the White House grounds.

The new security procedures also cover White House aides and newsmen who hold legitimate passes, according to the magazine.

It quoted a Secret Service spokesman as saying the new precautions were being taken because of an increase in "hate mail" addressed to Mr. Nixon.