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Obstruction of Justice

"The President has decided not to comply with our outstanding requests for recordings for the grand jury investigations of the Watergate break-in and cover-up and certain dairy industry contributions, asserting that to do so would be inconsistent with the public interest and the constitutional integrity of the office of the Presidency. . . . The President has refused to reconsider this earlier decision to terminate his cooperation with this investigation."

Leon Jaworski, Special

Watergate Prosecutor, Feb. 14, 1974

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"A criminal offense on the part of the President is the requirement for impeachment."

President Nixon, Feb. 25, 1974