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Washington

Leon Jaworski, the special Watergate prosecutor, disclosed yesterday that he has subpoenaed additional documents from White House files.

The subpoena was served last Friday and must be answered by Monday. James St. Clair, the special White House counsel on Watergate matters, said a response is "under consideration," without indicating what the response might be.

If President Nixon and his aides decide that they will fight the subpoena, another constitutional showdown similar to the one provoked last year by Jaworski's predecessor, Archibald Cox, could be set in motion.

Cox was eventually dismissed as a result of his showdown with the President, but Gerald L. Warren, deputy White House press secretary, said yesterday that Mr. Nixon is giving no consideration to the idea of dismissing Jaworski.

Neither Warren nor Jaworski would provide details on the number or the subjects of the documents covered by the new subpoena.

An official of the prosecutor's office said that the subpoena involved neither the

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Watergate coverup nor the break-in at the office of Daniel Ellsberg's psychiatrist.

Presumably, therefore, the subpoena dealt with one of the other areas under investigation by the three Watergate grand juries — the International Telephone and Telegraph case, the milk fund case, political contributions and the erasure of 18½ minutes from one of the White House tapes.

On February 14, Jaworski wrote to Senator James O. Eastland of Mississippi, chairman of the Senate Judiciary Committee, complaining that the President had refused to give him material that he needed for his investigation.

The material at issue included 27 tapes relating to the Watergate coverup as well as the milk fund case and the activities of the White House "plumbers" unit.

The subpoena may deal with some or all of his data.

In any event, Jaworski's action will undercut one of the principal points Mr. Nixon has used in his recent public campaign to re-establish his credibility.

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