

Memos Tell of Haldeman Clout

Washington

Former Secretary of Commerce Maurice Stans apparently wanted a high-level post with an organization such as the World Bank as a reward for his work as chairman of President Nixon's 1972 campaign finance committee.

But White House chief of staff H. R. Haldeman, in a marginal note on a Sept. 24, 1971, memorandum, wrote: "It will not be the World Bank." The word "not" was underlined.

This and other notations on memoranda contained in the House Judiciary Committee's impeachment proceeding records, released yesterday, give some insight into the power Haldeman wielded as Mr. Nixon's No. 1 aide.

The memos were written by his staff assistant, Gor-

don Strachan, and concerned a wide range of subject matter. The emphasis was on politics, campaign organization and funds and the distribution of political favors.

In one memo, Strachan reminded Haldeman that he'd agreed that two men seeking ambassadorships should have "100 each" returned "since the European commitments cannot now be met."

The term "100" apparently meant \$100,000.

One of these was Vincent DeRoulet, then a political appointee as ambassador to Jamaica.

He was "really upset" over the denial and wanted to meet with Haldeman to discuss it.

Haldeman penned a large "NO" in the margin.

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