

Report of Nixon Link To Break-In

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Newsweek magazine has quoted a source close to special prosecutor Leon Jaworski's office as saying former President Nixon knew in advance about the covert campaign intelligence unit that conducted the Watergate break-in.

Yesterday Newsweek reported that the unnamed source said: "They can tie Nixon into the planning of the break-in. That's the bottom line."

Newsweek also quoted a knowledgeable prosecution source as saying that new evidence, including newly received White House tapes, shows that Mr. Nixon knew that the intelligence unit was prepared to undertake Watergate-style burglaries and wiretaps.

The magazine also reported that prosecution sources believe Mr. Nixon was involved in efforts to silence Watergate conspirators with offers of executive clemency.

Newsweek quoted its sources as saying Mr. Nixon's Watergate role is likely

to emerge quickly during the Watergate coverup trial of top former Nixon aides, including H. R. Haldeman,

John Ehrlichman and John Mitchell. That trial is scheduled to begin October 1.

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