

Kissinger Doubts Story About Nixon

Washington

Secretary of State Henry Kissinger yesterday questioned the accuracy of news reports about former President Nixon's secret testimony on how wiretap targets were chosen in a 1969 effort to stop news leaks.

Published reports over the weekend said Mr. Nixon, in closed-door testimony at his San Clemente home last week, swore that he never personally selected the targets. According to the reports, Mr. Nixon said he left the selection up to Kissinger.

This account of Mr. Nixon's testimony contradicted parts of Kissinger's testimony in the same civil lawsuit filed by former national security aide Morton H. Halperin, one of those tapped.

"The secretary cannot believe that these leaked reports accurately reflect what former President Nixon has said," State Department spokesman Robert Funseth told reporters yesterday.

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