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Reporter Says

"Deep Throat" Is A Real Person

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Washington Post reporter Bob Woodward, who with Carl Bernstein revealed many details of the Watergate affair, has told Time magazine he will name "Deep Throat," the mystery source of much of their information, if the man dies.

Woodward says in an interview, published in Time's latest issue, that "Deep Throat" does exist.

"There is a Deep Throat, and he is not a composite," the magazine quotes Woodward as saying. He also says that Bernstein knows the man's identity.

Asked why "Deep Throat" declined to be named when the two journalists wrote the story of Watergate in their book "All The President's Men," Woodward said:

"He has a career in government. He thinks that while he might be a hero to some, he would be a rat or a snitcher in some eyes . . .

"Some day he'll come forth. If he were to die, I would feel obliged to reveal his identity. Some day he'll write a really fascinating book."

Woodward said "Deep Throat's" decision to help the reporters "was an act of conscience, a result of his own disillusionment."

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