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## Liddy's Wife Asks Ford to Free Him

### Washington

Mrs. Gordon Liddy petitioned President Ford yesterday to release her husband from prison, where he is serving 21 years for Watergate crimes. At the same time, she said he feels no remorse for his crimes.

"He still believes he was doing what he was asked to do by the Executive Department — the President," Mrs. Liddy said. "Probably under the same circumstances, he would do the same thing."

Flanked by the couple's five

teenaged children, Mrs. Liddy spoke at a news conference after delivering a 7000-signature petition to the Justice Department. The petition urges President Ford to reduce her husband's sentence to the 43 months already served, "so that he can be home in time for Christmas."

The request appears to have little chance with President Ford, who is still trying to live down the storm of criticism he touched off by pardoning President Nixon in 1974.

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