Tapes and other material requested or subpoenaed - status as of date listed

28 May 74 - WXP

Use of tapes or transcripts

- 28 Feb 73 transcript, Nixon-Dean; used at Mitchell-Stans trial to attack Dean's credibility.
- 20 Mar 73 "
 NYT 27 Mar 74, Arnold
- 18 Jul 74 Nixon, selective use of tape excerpt.

 See entry 18 Jul 74, St. Clair (HJC).

Tapes subpoenaed by Ervin Committee 23 Jul 73.

Cannot find list of these tapes, by date. NYT 25 Jul 73:
"One senatorial subpoena asks for papers relating to the Watergate involvement of 25 present or former officials at the White House or the Committee for the re-election of the President. The other seeks the tapes of five conversations between the President and Mr. Dean ... beginning on Sept. 15, 1972, and ending on March 21, 1973."

NYT 25 Jul 73, Apple

The Cox list (WXP 24 Jul 73) includes only three dates between 15 Sep 72 and 21 Mar 73: 15 Sep 72, 13 Mar 73, 21 Mar 73. NYT 25 Oct gives two meetings for 21 Mar 73 on Cox list, which describes them as "[Tapes No.] 6 and 7" but describes only one meeting.

If Ervin committee list calls for five conversations between Nixon and Dean, these may be for 15 Sep, 72,

13 Mar 73 Correction 21 Mar 73 below*

22 Mar 73 15 Apr 73,

the only ones on Cox list including Dean.

Current status of tapes, as of 7 May 74, which have been subpoenaed by Cox, Jaworski, House Judiciary Committee and Ervin committee.

NYT 7 May 74

List of tapes and documents requested and/or subpoenaed by special prosecutor, Ervin committee, House Judiciary committee, and other lawsuits and defendants.

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See also Congressional Quarterly, W/gate II, pp. 343, 344

^{*}The tapes are those for 15 Sep 72, 28 Feb 73, 13 Mar 73, and two conversations on 21 Mar 73. Story describes these as "Nixon conversations" but does not say with whom he was speaking SFC 7 May 74 [AP]

Tapes

14 Apr 73, Nixon-Ehrlichman - Vesco. See entry 6 May 74.

Jerry Jones - Described by Woodward and Bernstein in "The Final Days" as "responsible for the record-keeping of the tapes" (p. 365), a "middle-level staffer" (p. 377), and "staff secretary" (p. 436).

White House taping system - Adrian Hope, writing in New Scientist, reports on an article by Ed Sanders in 2 May 74 issue of Village Voice. Sanders based his article on intv of unnamed ex-employee of Scully-Metrotech, described by Hope as "one of the world's largest and most respected manufacturers of studio gear," which allegedly supplied recording equipment to the White House.

Hope describes the system as extremely sophisticated, including "no less than 14 professional Scully recorders [\$12,000 each?], together with studio mixing consoles and cassette duplicators." He says "it is believed that the professional installation dates back to the Johnson and even Kennedy Administrations but was augmented on Richard Nixon's instructions. Hope says (according to Sanders' article? - unclear) that the former Scully employee said the White House sound studio is manned by Army personnel.

New Scientist, 8 Aug 74, Adrian Hope

*From text of Nixon press conference, 22 Aug 73:

"... when I arrived in the White House and saw this rather complex situation set up where there was a taping capacity not only in the President's office, the room outside of his office, but also in the Cabinet room and at Camp David and in other areas, ... I had the entire system dismantled. It was put into place again in June of 1970 ... "[This date was corrected later the same day by deputy press secretary Gerald L. Warren, who gave the date as Apr 71.]

WXP 23 Aug 73, p. 10, col. 2 p. 12, col. 8

- Neither Scully-Metrotech nor White House reply when asked for comment by Hope and by Village Voice.