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White House

Paper on

Bugging?

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LOS ANGELES — (AP) — The White House had drafted a white paper answering accusations that Republicans were involved in political espionage and sabotage in the recent election campaign, the Los Angeles Times said today.

The Times said the document had undergone at least one revision since it was first written four weeks ago but that it was unknown when or if a final version would be made public.

The final document, which would be the first formal Nixon administration reply to Democratic allegations, presumably will draw heavily on the investigation conducted by John W. Dean III, counsel for the President, into both the bugging of the Democrats' headquarters in Washington's Watergate complex and the activities of Los Angeles attorney Donald Segretti, the Times said.

Segretti has been linked in news stories to presidential aide Dwight Chapin and President Nixon's personal attorney, Herbert W. Kalmbach of Newport Beach, Calif., in an alleged campaign to harass and disrupt Democratic campaigns.

At the White House, press secretary Ronald Ziegler said he had discussed the Times report with Dean and he "tells me there is no such paper under preparation."