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Higher San Clemente Costs Admitted

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Confirm[illegible] times [illegible] stated [illegible] said [illegible] Service [illegible] improve[illegible] Nixon's [illegible] total $4[illegible]

A [illegible] confirmed [illegible] accuracy [illegible] appeared [illegible] Register [illegible] Ana, [illegible] federal expenses [illegible] to improve the property—a story which [illegible] previous reports published elsewhere [illegible] expenses.

On [illegible] White House press [illegible] Gerald L. Warren [illegible] to questions [illegible] The New York Times listed government financing [illegible] provements at the San Clemente estate at $39,525.

After letting that statement stand for [illegible] weeks, Warren insisted through a colleague Wednesday night that he had never meant to indicate that the $39,525 figure represented a total of all federal expenses at the Western White House.

[The White House last night said it was informed that the correct figure is $469,312].

The White House says that all such expenses were undertaken on the advice of the Secret Service for security reasons.

Warren's $39,525 statement of May 26 was challenged within two days by the Associated Press, which reported finding records of federal expenditures of $109,385 at the estate. Other news sources later reported $76,000 more was spent on landscaping.

Wednesday, The [illegible] reported some additional expenditures, the improvements being $184,174 for [illegible] and interior electrical [illegible] at the Spanish-style home [illegible] overlooking the [illegible]

Warren [illegible] of known total [illegible] expenditures [illegible] expressed [illegible] it never [illegible] check with the GSA [illegible]

[illegible] another Warren [illegible] had challenged [illegible] accuracy of a [illegible] specifications [illegible] expenditure figure [illegible] only $347 [illegible] The Register had [illegible]

Warren told The [illegible] Times that he [illegible] reported to tell The [illegible] New York Times that he had listed May 26 [illegible] Warren "hasn't [illegible] don't know what the [illegible] figure was then and [illegible] know what it is now."

In listing federal expenditures May 26, Warren [illegible] taken off $13,500 [illegible] as a beautiful stud, $12[illegible] for erecting a glass [illegible] between the beach [illegible] pool, $11,561 for erecting fence between the railroad tracks and the house, and $1,500 for asphalt pavement between the house and White House offices.

All of these, he declared, were security-connected.

Wednesday night, the White House spokesman, dropping the $1,500 asphalt expense, confirmed the GSA expenditures on the property:

- $184,174 at the request of the Secret Service for exterior and interior electrical work, including installation of conduit wiring, low-level [illegible] lighting, high-intensity [illegible], installation of [illegible] and fire detector [illegible] systems, eliminating [illegible] hazards, [illegible] emergency [illegible] for the residence [illegible] operator of the [illegible] power from [illegible] installed [illegible]

[illegible] 72-foot [illegible] to the [illegible] near system [illegible] the pro[illegible] picked up [illegible] 300 gal for this [illegible]

[illegible] to [illegible] [illegible] The [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]