

Ellsberg Decries 'Police State' Tactics

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LOS ANGELES, June 5—Dr. Daniel Ellsberg said today that the break-in at his psychiatrist's office was part of an "executive coup" planned in the White House to "change our form of government to a police state."

The former Defense Department aide talked to newsmen after testifying before a Los Angeles County grand jury that opened an investigation today into the break-in, which took place on Sept. 3, 1971.

Meanwhile, it was disclosed that John D. Ehrlichman, President Nixon's former chief domestic adviser, would testify before the grand jury, possibly later this week. Mr. Ehrlichman had over-all supervision of a White House group called the "plumbers" that was charged with stopping national security leaks and engineered the break-

in at Dr. Ellsberg's psychiatrist.

The break-in was disclosed during Dr. Ellsberg's recent trial on charges of conspiracy, espionage and theft involving his release of the Pentagon papers. It was cited by Judge William Matthew Byrne of Federal District Court as one of the events that "offended a sense of justice" and caused him to drop the charges against Dr. Ellsberg and his co-defendant, Anthony J. Russo Jr.

In a news conference here, Dr. Ellsberg mentioned news reports that the White House "plumbers" had committed other break-ins and said: "Mr. Brezhnev [the Soviet Communist party leader] will find himself more at home when he comes here than I wish he did."

Dr. Ellsberg refused to discuss his own testimony. But, in describing the break-in at the office of his psychiatrist, Dr. Lewis Fielding, in Beverly Hills, Dr. Ellsberg contradicted the

testimony before a Washington grand jury of E. Howard Hunt, who had pleaded guilty to charges stemming from the Watergate burglary and has admitted planning the Beverly Hills break-in. Hunt said that none of Dr. Ellsberg's records were found at the office, but Dr. Ellsberg said there was "every indication" that his records had been located and photographed.

The records, along with those of Dr. Fielding's other patients, were found in considerably disarray after the break-in, Dr. Ellsberg said.

The grand jury also heard testimony today from Dr. Fielding and the maintenance people who were working on the night of the break-in. Tomorrow's witness list includes Hunt and two of his accomplices, Bernard Barker and Eugenio Martinez, who also have pleaded guilty in the Watergate case.

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