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## The Next Watergate Witness

## Washington

White House aide Richard A. Moore will follow former Attorney General John N. Mitchell to the Senate Watergate committee witness stand, Senator Howard H. Baker Jr. (Rep-Tenn.) said yesterday.

Moore is expected to confirm testimony from ousted White House counsel John

W. Dean III about a meeting early in February in which White House aides, including H. R. Haldeman, planned to set up road blocks to the committee's probe of the Watergate scandal.

But Moore reportedly will dispute Dean's testimony that Moore made contact with Mitchell about payoffs to the original seven Watergate defendants.

Baker, committee vice

chairman, said that, after Moore, the panel will hear from Herbert W. Kalmbach, President Nixon's former personal attorney; former white House chief of staff Haldeman; former chief domestic affairs adviser John D. Ehrlichman; and Gordon Strachan, formerly liaison man between the White House and the Nixor re-election committee.

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