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Meany Flays Nixon Again On Watergate

AFL-CIO President George Meany criticized President Nixon yesterday as again having "disappointed our hopes for the full truth" in the Watergate scandal.

In a signed editorial in the labor federation's weekly newspaper, Meany said: "The President asks the American people to trust him but he refuses to trust them by making available the surreptitious White House tapes."

The labor leader said confidence can only be restored in the government when the public learns the full truth.

"Since we cannot get the truth from the President—for whatever reason—we must look to the Senate hearings for the full story of this ugly attempt to debase the democratic process," Meany said.

The editorial was the latest in a series of critical public statements by the 79-year-old labor leader in recent months concerning the President's handling of the Watergate affair.