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6-3 Ruling

NARCO Case Bugging OK

Washington - (AP) - The Supreme Court upheld 6 to 3 today the rigging of undercover agents with hidden radio transmitters to snare unsuspecting narcotics violators.

The decision, in a case that has troubled the court for almost two years, sustains the Justice Department and gives electronic surveillance a major legal thrust forward.

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The ruling authorizes this eavesdropping without search warrants. All that the Constitution requires, [Justice Byron] White said, is that the informer give his consent to police to have the conversation used.

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