

Nixon's Official Family Split

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Despite the facade of monolithic harmony in President Nixon's reelection campaign, a potentially grave fissure has opened between senior administration officials and the White House staff over the handling of the Watergate scandal and its aftermath.

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Thus, while the White House finally responded to the President's own official family, the explanations by Ehrlichman scarcely narrowed the fissure that - now more than ever - splits the White House staff from the party's most respected leaders in the Cabinet and beyond it.