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Nixon (transition funds, \$1 million) - GSA estimates that it will cost more than \$1 million instead of \$850,000 to complete Nixon's transition to private life, if this is to be done in six months rather than eleven. Sampson tells Montoya the extra money, \$223,800, would be needed to speed up the process, mainly for additional salaries, overtime and equipment rentals.

Story says Montoya, at hearings last week, questioned the legality of taking more than the six months prescribed by the Presidential Transition Act. Story goes on to say that "A longer time period had been requested by the Ford administration," but does not say if this was included in Ford's request for the appropriation of \$850,000, 28 Aug 74, or if it came at some later time.

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Amnesty for draft evaders and deserters - "President Ford [today] offered clemency to Vietnam war-era violators in exchange for up to 24 months of alternate service and a pledge of allegiance. At a ceremony in his office, the President unveiled a program that he said would permit draft evaders and deserters to 'earn their return to the mainstream of American society.""

See entry 19 Aug 74, same heading.

WXP 17 Sep 74, Carroll Kilpatrick - filed Ford Ad - Clemency program is terminated 16 Sep 75.

Resolution of Inquiry - Rep. Bella S. Abzug submits, on behalf of herself and 13 other Representatives, a resolution requesting Ford to furnish the House with information on the circumstances of his pardon of Nixon. The resolution asks for answers to ten questions.

Text, NYT 18 Oct 74, p. 18

- See also Conyers Resolution, entry 17 Sep 74, Resolution of Inquiry.

Pardon - See entry, Resolution of Inquiry Bella S. Abzug - " " (<u>16 Sep 74</u>) <u>AMP</u> (**A** + See AMP-D, 28 Aug 74.