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Hunt (Nixon) - "The last big mystery is what E. Howard Hunt meant when he wrote his recently disclosed memorandum of Nov. 14, 1972.

"The Watergate bugging is only one of a number of highly illegal conspiracies engaged in by one or more of the defendants at the behest of senior White House officials,' Hunt wrote in an appeal for more help from the Nixon White House. And he added: 'These as yet undisclosed crimes can be proved.'....

"Ruth's mandate ... clearly establishes his right to investigate the crimes Hunt alleges ..., [giving him] power to investigate 'allegations involving members of the White House staff or presidential appointees . . . ' He has asked [Judge Sirica] for permission to question Richard Nixon more broadly than ordinary cross-examination might entail. He wants to raise subjects other than those raised by defense attorneys. If Mr. Nixon's health improves, and Judge Sirica grants Ruth the latitude he is asking for, there will be nothing to stop him from pursuing the Hunt memorandum."

Author suggests that "the chances are ... that Richard Nixon has knowledge of some serious domestic crime "

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