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WASHINGTON —Two former White House aides and five other persons were accused today by a federal grand jury of breaking into the Democratic national headquarters to steal documents and to install electronic "bugs."

The eight-count indictment, returned by a federal grand jury in U.S. District Court here, said the seven men installed electronic listening devices to intercept telephone and oral communications.

The seven defendants include the five men who were arrested at the Watergate Hotel on the morning of the break-in, and G. Gordon Liddy, former counsel to the finance committee for the Committee for the Re-Election of the President, and E. Howard Hunt, a former White House consultant who was described in the indictment as a friend and associate of Liddy.

Others Named

The others named in the indictment are Bernard L. Barker, a Miami real-estate operator; James W. McCord Jr., a former CIA employe who was a security consultant for the Nixon re-election committee at the time of his arrest; Eugenio R. Martinez, a notary public who was an employe of the Barker firm; Frank A. Sturgis, described as an associate of Barker and a self-described soldier of fortune, and Virgilio R. Gonzalez, a Miami locksmith also described as an associate of Barker.

The indictments made no mention of former Attorney General John Mitchell, who resigned July 1 as Nixon's campaign manager, or Maurice Stans, the President's campaign finance chairman.

Probe 'Closed'

Democratic leader Lawrence O'Brien has accused Stans of conspiring to divert GOP campaign funds to finance "political espionage" against the Democrats.

The Justice Department

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said the investigation of the Watergate break-in and bugging was closed. "We have absolutely no evidence that any others should be charged," said press spokesman John Hushen.

But he said the department's criminal division still is reviewing a report from the General Accounting Office alleging irregularities in GOP campaign finances.

The break-in at the Watergate offices of the Democratic committee was discovered June 17, when the arrests were made.

: Illegal Means

The seven defendants were charged in one count with conspiring from last May 1 to June 17 to use illegal means to obtain information from Democratic headquarters.

The illegal means, according to the conspiracy count of the indictment, included placing wiretaps and other surveillance devices in the headquarters with the conversations transmitted to a room in the Howard Johnson Motor Lodge across the street from the Watergate, stealing certain documents and papers and photographing others.

All seven defendants were charged in the second count

with entering the committee offices with the intent to steal property and in the third count with entering the headquarters with intent to illegally intercept telephone conversations.

Get Calls

The seven defendants also were charged in two other counts with trying to intercept telephone and communications coming from inside the party's headquarters.

Five of the defendants, excluding Liddy and Hunt, were charged in two counts with illegally possessing listening devices, one of which transmitted oral conversations but was made up to resemble fire detection equipment and labelled "ARI Smoke Detector," and the other a telephone wiretap.

Liddy, Hunt and McCord were charged in the eighth count with actually intercepting telephone conversations made to and from the committee headquarters, primarily from the offices of R. Spencer Oliver, executive director of the committee's state chairmen's associations, and Ida M. Wells, his secretary.

Attorney General Richard Kleindienst said the indictments climaxed "one of the most intensive, objective and thorough investigations in many years."