

2 NIXON EX-AIDES AMONG 7 INDICTED IN RAID IN CAPITAL

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Grand Jury Names Liddy
and Hunt in Break-In at
Democratic Offices

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No Evidence Found Involving
Others, but Key Questions
Remain Unanswered
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WASHINGTON, Sept. 15 —

Two former White House aides and the five men seized by the police inside the Watergate complex on June 17 were indicted today on charges of conspiring to break into Democratic national headquarters at the complex.

A Federal grand jury returned an eight-count indictment in United States District Court here against the seven defendants. It included charges of tapping telephones planting electronic surveillance devices and stealing and photographing documents belonging to the Democratic National Committee. John W. Hushen, director of public information for the Justice Department, said that the indictments had ended the investigation into the Watergate case.

"We have absolutely no evidence to indicate that any others should be charged," he said.

To Surrender Tuesday

The two former White House aides, who are scheduled to turn themselves in on Tuesday, are G. Gordon Liddy, a former Presidential assistant on domestic affairs and, at the time of the break-in, counsel to the finance committee for the Committee to Re-elect President Nixon, and E. Howard Hunt Jr., a former White House consultant and associate of Mr. Liddy.

Seized in Headquarters

The five other men were caught inside the headquarters

of the Democratic National Committee in the Watergate Hotel in an early morning raid by the Washington police.

The men are:

James W. McCord, president of McCord Associates and security coordinator for the Committee to Re-elect President Nixon at the time of the break-in.

Bernard L. Barker, president of Barker Associates, a Miami real estate concern, who was born in Havana and fled Cuba when Fidel Castro came to power.

Frank A. Sturgis, an associate of Mr. Barker, who has long been active in an anti-Castro movement and has been described in court as a soldier of fortune.

Eugenio R. Martinez, a real estate salesman in Mr. Barker's firm and a long-time friend of Mr. Barker.

Virgilio R. Gonzalez, a locksmith in Miami and associate of Mr. Barker.

Attorney General Richard G. Kleindienst in a statement said

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that the inquiry by the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the United States Attorney's office was "one of the most intensive, objective and thorough investigations in many years, reaching out to cities all across the United States as well as into foreign countries."

The indictments, however, did not answer some of the key questions that were raised by the case from the beginning. Why was there an effort to get intelligence on the Democrats? To whom was the information conveyed? Where did the money for the operation come from?

Lawrence F. O'Brien, chairman of the National Democratic Committee at the time of the break-in and now chairman of the McGovern campaign, said in a statement:

"We can only assume that the investigation will continue, since the indictments handed down today reflect only the most narrow construction of the crime that was committed."

"In particular," Mr. O'Brien continued, "we will continue to press for a far more thorough explanation of the funding of the crime that led to those indictments."

Asks Special Prosecutor

He added that the only way to lay the case to rest was for President Nixon to appoint a special prosecutor "not politically beholden to anyone."

Mr. Hushen said at a news conference: "The funding, as it applies to this case, was investigated and there was no

evidence to charge anybody."

The only open aspect of the case, he said, is a review of a report by the General Accounting Office, part of which said that the Finance Committee to Re-elect President Nixon had violated rules governing campaign contributions totaling \$350,000.

Part of this amount, totaling \$114,000 passed through the committee and eventually wound up in Mr. Barker's account.

A \$1-million suit by the Democrats has charged that Maurice H. Stans, chairman of the finance committee of the Committee to Re-elect President Nixon, delivered the \$114,000 to finance a spy squad. Mr. Stans has filed a countersuit of \$2.5-million against the Democrats for what he called using the courts as an instrument "for creating political headlines."

There was no explanation in the indictment today of how the seven men financed their operations.

Records Payment

In the one reference to money, the indictment said that on or "about June 11-15, 1972, within the District of Columbia, the defendants Liddy, Hunt and McCord met and defendant Liddy gave the defendant McCord about \$1,600 in cash."

There is also little likelihood that the case will come to trial before the election and provide answers to the questions that the Democratic candidates have raised about the case.

Senator George McGovern, the Democratic Presidential

candidate, said today. "The indictments do point up the seriousness in the matter and what now needs to be pursued is how it was funded and whether there are violations there, which there seem to be."

He said that "what I'd like to see is an impartial investigation conducted by somebody entirely outside the Department of Justice."

Sargent Shriver, the Vice-Presidential candidate, also called for a continuing investigation. He said: "There must be a speedy trial of the seven defendants named today. All of us have a right to know all of the facts involved in the Watergate case. No one can live above the rules because of their connection with high government officials past or present."

Reports 'No Evidence'

Mr. Hushen said, however, that there was "absolutely no evidence to indicate" that the seven defendants were acting on instructions from anybody else.

All seven are charged with conspiring "by various illegal and unlawful methods and means, to obtain and use illegally information from the offices and headquarters of the Democratic National Committee and related political entities." There is no explanation on the indictment of how the information was to be used.

The seven were also charged with placing wiretaps and with entering the committee offices with the intent to steal property.