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According to the New York Times today, a source in the Secret Service said that the White House staff members involved in President Nixon's campaign have received reports from the Secret Service since early April about Senator McGovern's confidential meetings. The source said that the Secret Service agents assigned to Senator McGovern had not been told to gather information on him, and that such activity constituted a violation of Secret Service rules. The source would not identify himself or the White House aides involved. The Times story said that information forwarded to the White House included accounts of private visits Senator McGovern made to potential financial backers and other visits made without press notification.

Jack Warner, a Secret Service spokesman said, "In no way would such action be sanctioned, and we know no way it could be going on. We have taken every precaution to prevent this."

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