

Nixon Not Viewing The Probe on TV

Washington

President Nixon was pictured yesterday as relying on staff-prepared summaries of televised Senate hearings on the Watergate scandal — leaving TV-watching to others.

Mr. Nixon ordered the special summaries prepared for him regularly under the direction of General Alexander M. Haig Jr., his interim staff chief.

This was reported to newsmen by press secretary Ronald L. Ziegler, who was

asked if curiosity might not prompt Mr. Nixon to watch the hearings on television at least occasionally.

"He doesn't watch much television," said Ziegler. "He doesn't have a television in his office."

The White House spokesman said the President prefers to get his information in writing.

Ziegler contended that others at the White House, himself included, had a more direct interest in watching the Senate proceedings.

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