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Gray Hid CIA Link --Time Report

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L. Patrick Gray, the former acting FBI director, "hid in his safe evidence that would have more speedily revealed the identities and CIA connections of wiretappers G. Gordon Liddy and E. Howard Hunt Jr., shortly after the Watergate burglary," Time magazine reported yesterday.

Time reported that an unidentified Justice Department official "contends the CIA gave Gray details of the disguises, aliases and false identification papers that it supplied Liddy and Hunt in

1971 when they worked for the White House in the clandestine investigation of Pentagon Papers defendant Daniel Ellsberg."

Time said Gray, who resigned April 27, "already knew" the actual names of "Edward Hamilton" and "George Leonard"—the aliases used by Hunt and Liddy, who have been convicted in the Watergate break-in, at a time when FBI agents were "tediously checking out" the false names.

Time said it was not until Gray resigned that bureau officials found the evidence in the acting director's office safe.

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See NYTimes 2 May 73, "Hunt Billed White House for Day of Break-in at Ellsberg's Doctor." Story, from Washington Star-News, says that when Hunt and Liddy flew back from Los Angeles the names on their tickets were "Hamilton" for Hunt and "Larimer" for Liddy.