

General Says He Warned About Hunt

LOS ANGELES, May 29 (UPI)—Marine Corps Gen. Robert Cushman said today that convicted Watergate conspirator E. Howard Hunt was "like a bull in a China shop" while preparing for the Ellsberg burglary. He said he warned the White House that he thought Hunt was "questionable."

Cushman made the remarks to newsmen after his testimony before a county grand jury probing the CIA role in the burglary.

Cushman, now Marine commandant, was deputy director of the CIA at the time of the 1971 break-in of the office of Daniel Ellsberg's psychiatrist.

Cushman was asked by presidential aide John Ehrlichman to provide a disguise and false identification to Hunt, who directed the burglary and was convicted in the Watergate bugging affair.

Cushman would not discuss specifics of his testimony before the county grand jury. "I told them everything I knew. Whether it would be helpful, I couldn't say."

Cushman, asked whether he felt his "trust" was violated, said he believed that Hunt did so but "I have no way of telling" if Ehrlichman did. "I certainly think I was put upon," the general said.

Cushman said he called Ehrlichman and told him Hunt was of "questionable justice" and then cut off all CIA assistance.