

Opposition To a Nixon Subpoena

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Senator Lowell P. Weicker Jr., a member of the Senate Watergate committee, said yesterday he does not think it would be proper for the committee to call or subpoena President Nixon to testify about the Watergate affair.

But the Connecticut Republican said he would welcome a voluntary appearance by Mr. Nixon.

"It's up to the President to decide whether he should appear before the committee," Weicker told a news conference. If any pressure is applied to "drag the president" before the committee, "the President should refuse," Weicker said.

Weicker said he was impressed with former White House counsel John W. Dean III's credibility as a witness during Dean's week-long appearance before the committee. But he added: "I don't think we have heard the complete story."

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