

The Senators' Broad Hint To Martha

Washington

The Senate Watergate committee has dropped a rather pointed hint that Martha Mitchell not attend the Watergate hearings next week when her husband, former Attorney General John N. Mitchell, testifies.

But it is understood that the flamboyant and outspoken Mrs. Mitchell has rejected the committee's offer to provide her with a color television set in a private room if she'll stay away.

Mitchell's attorney, William G. Hundley, said, "It's pretty much up to her" whether she attends the hearings, and he doesn't know if she'll be there.

One of the points Mitchell is expected to be questioned closely on is whether he resigned as chairman of the President's re-election campaign because of Watergate or because of an ultimatum from his wife.

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