White House Discloses

Ban on Copying Papers
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WASHINGTON, July 11
(AP)—The White House disclosed today that former
Presidential aides involved in
the Watergate inquiries no
longer may copy documents
they worked on at the White
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In response to questions, the deputy press secretary, Gerald L. Warren, said that the rule againts copying documents May 23. went into

The dismissed White House counsel, John W. Dean 3d, asked the Senate Watergate asked the Senate Watergate Committee two weeks ago for help in getting White House permission to Xerox the papers he had worked on. Mr. Dean told the committee that at one time he had been allowed to copy documents in longhand.

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There was no explanation for the delay in announcing the ground rules instituted in the ground rules instituted in May. The press secretary, Ronald L. Ziegler, told some newsmen as recently as Saturday that former aides to President Nixon including Mr. Dean, H.R. Haldeman and John D. Ehrlichman could copy their official papers in longhand.

Mr. Warken told reporters.

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Mr. Warken told reporters, however, that the former aides "can come in and peruse papers on which they worked but they can't copy in any way . . . not even in notes."

The aides' files were placed under guard by the Federal Bureau of Ivnestigation. The Secret Service subsequently assumed responsibility for guarding the files.

WATERGATE PANEL

OPPOSES SUBPOENA
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—A poll of the seven Senate
Watergate Committee members
indicated today, that they
would not vote to subpoena
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All seven said either that
they would not vote to subpoena the President or they
have decided that such a move
would not be legal.

The committee is divided on
the question of Presidential
documents, The Associated
Press poll showed.

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Three Senators said that they would vote to subpoena relevant Watergate documents. Two said they were undecided, and two said they would not comment until the committee meets to discuss the issue in wastily session to more than the comment in the committee meets.

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Chairman Sam J. Ervin Jr., Smocrat of North Carolina, said at today's hearing that he did not believe the doctrine of executive privilege protected any Presidential documents concerned with politics or in which criminal wrongdoing was proposed or discussed.

At another point, the committee vice chairman, Howard H. Baker Jr., Republican of Tennessee, again expressed his hope that the President would voluntarily find a means by which his views could be communicated directly to the committee.