

Liddy Contempt Vote Delayed

Washington

The House Armed Services Committee yesterday voted 23 to 9 to postpone action on a move to have convicted Watergate conspirator G. Gordon Liddy cited for contempt of Congress.

Liddy, convicted in the break-in into Democratic National Committee headquarters, twice refused last Friday to be sworn to testify before an Armed Services subcommittee. The Panel is conducting hearings on Central Intelligence Agency involvement in Watergate activities.

The full committee agreed to wait until its next meeting before voting on a motion by subcommittee Chairman Lucien N. Nedzi, (Dem-Mich.) to start the process citing Liddy for contempt of Congress. No date for that meeting has been set.

Liddy is now serving a term for contempt of court for refusing to testify before a federal grand jury.

Last Friday, Liddy's lawyer presented an extensive brief that claimed that the Fifth Amendment embraces the right of a witness before a congressional subcommittee not to take the stand and, therefore, not to be sworn. *Associated Press*