CBS Theory on 'Plumbers' Mystery

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CBS News said a censored paragraph in a White House memorandum examined by the Senate Watergate committee is believed to have involved a break-in by the White House "plumbers" unit into a foreign embassy.

Former presidential adviser John D. Ehrlichman told the Watergate panel Thursday that the censored paragraph in the memo from Egil Krogh Jr. and David R. Young Jr. of the plumbers team "deals with an extremely sensitive subject relating to another country".

Ehrlichman refused to disclose any details, invoking executive privilege. In a report from Washington. network correspondent Daniel Schorr said, "The security 'plumbers' operation that Ehrlichman would not disclose today, committee sources believe, was a break-in into a foreign embassy," Schorr did not elaborate.

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