Guilt Denied by Engineer In Bugging Devices Case

WASHINGTON, Sept 5 (UPI) A Richmond electronics engineer, identified by a Vir-ginia newspaper as a com-munications expert for Pres-ident Nixon's 1968 campaign, pleaded not guilty today to charges of illegally possessing eavesdropping equipment. The Richmond Times-Dis-patch reportedthat Marshall Soghoian, 46 years old, worked as a volunteer for the 1968 United Citizens for Nixon-Agnew Committee and later became a paid employe of the committee's inaugural panel. A committee member, how-ever, said that Mr. Soghoian had not engaged in any wire-tapping or surveillance in the campaign. Mr. Soghoian was arrested by the Federal Bureau of In-vestigation on Aug. 28 and charged with illegally possess-ing eavesdropping equipment and with being an unregistered foreign agent of the Zambian government. — A Richmond electronics engineer, identified by a Vir-