

New Charge on Johnson Home

Washington

A defender of the \$10.2 million security spending on President Nixon's homes said yesterday that at least \$5.2 million was spent for security at former President Lyndon B. Johnson's Texas ranch.

Representative John Buchanan (Rep-Ala.), said at the opening of House hearings into the security spending for Mr. Nixon's homes at San Clemente and Key Biscayne that the Johnson ranch figures came from the General Services Administration.

Buchanan said he believes the \$5.2 million figure is incomplete.

He said \$1.7 million was reported spent for security construction, \$1.3 million for communications — of which \$750,000 was later recovers-

ble by the government — and \$2.2 million for leased communication equipment.

The \$10.2 million Nixon home security figure includes \$3.7 million for security, \$5.8 million for military expense, \$544,263 for transportation facilities and \$214,161 for Secret Service installations.

Buchanan claimed that the security cost for former President Johnson's huge Texas ranch was about \$300,000 more than the cost for both San Clemente and Key Biscayne.

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