

President Nixon waited for his helicopter to take off for the White House from Andrews AFB

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The White House said last night that President Nixon will not resign "no matter how great the criticism is or the difficulty."

"The President is not a quitter and he never has been," press secretary Ronald L. Ziegler told a small group of reporters aboard the President's plane on the flight here from Florida. Ziegler said Mr. Nixon "is going to do an awful lot" to quiet public concern about Watergate but would not elaborate: He said that Mr. Nixon's course of action would become evident dur-

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ing the coming weeks and months.

The press secretary volunteered his strong denials of any consideration being given to a presidential resignation.

"He is not a man who steps aside and walks away from adversity," said Ziegler.

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