

Scott Urges 'Full Candor' By Nixon

Senate Republican leader Hugh Scott, (R-Pa.) said yesterday he was having "a terribly difficult job" serving as party leader on Capitol Hill and holding onto public confidence that he is telling the truth about Watergate issues.

Scott said President Nixon owes the American people "a complete all-out disclosure."

"I think that promise of candor is fine, but actual complete candor is essential," Scott said. "I think the President isn't going to get out of this mess unless we have an answer to all of the charges."

Scott made the comments in a taped television interview to be aired this weekend in Pennsylvania.

"I can't turn my back on the President of the United States but I can tell him where I think more needs to be done," Scott said. "All I can say to people in my own case is, you have to trust me and if you're not willing to trust me, well you can vote against me at the polls."

"It's a very, very difficult position," he added. "I've never been more uncomfortable."

"I've had a terribly difficult job trying to strike a balance as a party leader and at the same time trying to hold the confidence of people that I'm telling the truth and that I'm being just and fair about it," he said.

Scott said it was President Nixon's fault that the American public has heard only one side of the Watergate incident.

"It's his fault until he answers all of these things in the same total and absolute manner that the charges are being brought because it's the only way people are going to let him off the hook," he said.