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Probers to See Nixon Files

Washington

Special prosecutor Leon Jaworski said yesterday that the White House has agreed to let his investigators search White House files for information about the Watergate scandals.

The White House confirmed the arrangement. This is

, a measure of cooperation unprecedented in the long Watergate criminal investigations.

President Nixon has repeatedly stressed the need for confidentiality, has asserted executive privilege and has gone to court to fight attempts to force him to hand over documents.

Jaworski disclosed the new White House attitude as he left the chambers of Chief Judge John .S irica of the U.S. district court yest erday.

He had gone to the judge's chambers to receive two more subpoenaed tape recordings of conversations held in Mr. Nixon's offices.

Later in the day Jaworski appeared before the Senate. Judiciary Committee and further outlined the new spirit of cooperation.

The arrangement for inspection of the files was worked out in the last few days. A similar arrangement requested by former special prosecutor Archibald Cox had been turned down by the White House.

Under the present a rrangement, Watergate investigators will describe to White House aides the documents they are seeking, and the aides will go with the investigators to the files to help look for the papers, Jaw orski's staffsaid.

Staff men said the entire operation will be under the eye of the Secret Service.

Charles R. Breyer, a member of the special prosecution staff, is expected at the White House today, Jaworski said.

At the White House; deputy presidential press secretary Gerald R. Warren confirmed the arrangement and praised it as "another example of the degree of cooperation" extended to Jaworski.

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