

# No Deal Offered, Jaworski Asserts

Watergate Special Prosecutor Leon Jaworski denied yesterday that former White House aide John D. Ehrlichman has been offered any deal in return for his cooperation with the government.

One of Ehrlichman's lawyers has discussed a "possible disposition of his case," but several sources said that the suggestions were initiated by Ehrlichman's attorney—not Jaworski.

The special prosecutor was described by a spokesman as increasingly confident of his investigation in recent weeks—to the point of seeing no need for "making overtures to anyone."

The talks involving Ehrlichman have in any case been inconclusive thus far. One of his Washington lawyers, Frank H. Strickler, said yesterday that "we're in no mood for a disposition."

Accompanied by both his East and West Coast lawyers—Strickler and John J. Wilson of Washington and Joseph Ball of Los Angeles—Ehrlichman met with Jaworski for about 65 minutes yesterday afternoon.

Jaworski also met with Ball alone earlier Friday. It was at this session that talk of a pos-

sible disposition of court actions against Ehrlichman came up.

Ehrlichman, 48, faces trial in Los Angeles on state charges of burglary and conspiracy in the 1971 break-in at the offices of Daniel Ellsberg's psychiatrist, which was carried out by the White House "plumbers." The former White House adviser is also under federal grand jury investigation here in connection with the Watergate scandal and with the work of the plumbers.

Meanwhile, former White House aide Egil (Bud) Krogh, who headed the plumbers unit, has agreed to cooperate with both state and federal prosecutors following his sentencing later this month. He pleaded guilty to a federal conspiracy charge in the Ellsberg burglary Nov. 30.

Ehrlichman, who was Krogh's mentor and immediate superior at the White House, returned home to Seattle yesterday after a week-long visit to Washington.

No further meetings between Jaworski and Ehrlichman have been scheduled, but Wilson said he could not rule them out. "It's a moving situation," he was quoted as saying.