

Offer in Kissinger Wiretapping Case

Washington

The Nixon administration offered yesterday to allow a federal judge a private look at documents concerning the wiretapping of a former aide to Henry Kissinger.

Justice Department attorneys suggested that compromise in a brief asking the judge to deny immediate access to the documents to Morton H. Halperin.

Halperin and his family have sued Kissinger and other government officials for damages stemming from the tapping of his home telephone from May 12, 1969, to

Feb. 10, 1971.

In 1969, Halperin was a top adviser to Kissinger, now secretary of state and then and now President Nixon's national security adviser. Halperin left the National Security Council staff four months after the wiretapping was begun, though he continued as a consultant until May, 1970.

The administration has acknowledged overhearing Pentagon Papers defendant Daniel Ellsberg on the tap Daniel Ellsberg on the tape Bethesda, Md.

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