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**Scott Won't Yield an Inch
On Charge of Lie by Dean**

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WASHINGTON, Feb. 1—Senator Hugh Scott of Pennsylvania said today that he was not "backtracking one single inch" on his charge that John W. Dean 3d had lied about President Nixon's role in the Watergate cover-up.

Mr. Scott, the Senate Republican leader, made the statement to reporters after meeting with Mr. Nixon to discuss the budget for the next fiscal year.

An assistant special prosecutor's office had no reason to believe that Mr. Dean had not told the truth.

Meanwhile, there were the following related developments:

¶A former White House speech writer said that Secretary of State Kissinger and Gen. Alexander M. Haig Jr., the White House chief of staff, had urged the President to cut off all contact with H. R. Haldeman and

John D. Ehrlichman, his former top aides, but that Mr. Nixon had refused to do so.

¶Ronald L. Ziegler, Mr. Nixon's press secretary, said that from now on he would cut short reporters' questions about Watergate issues.

¶The attorney for Rose Mary Woods, the President's personal secretary, asserted that the court-appointed technical experts who found that the tape of an important Watergate conversation had been manually erased were "not experts [but] six professors who don't know what they're doing."

Senator Scott hinted that his charge that Mr. Dean had committed perjury might have been based on evidence that the special prosecutor had not seen. He told reporters that he hoped the prosecutor, Leon Jaworski, "would have available to him

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ultimately all the material that's been made available to me."

An aide to the Senator said that General Haig went to Senator Scott's home between Christmas and New Year's Day and shown the Senator "a three-inch-thick file of documents about Watergate."

The documents, the aide said, consisted of a white paper prepared in the White House that detailed the President's position on a variety of Watergate-related issues and the transcripts of the tapes of several conversations between Mr. Nixon and his former staff members about the Watergate burglary.

Mr. Dean, the onetime White House counsel, told the Senate Watergate committee last summer that Mr. Nixon knew as early as September, 1972, about the Watergate cover-up and that the President had participated in it.

Friend Voices Concern

Senator Scott declined again to be specific about the nature of Mr. Dean's alleged perjury, and some of his Republican colleagues in the Senate expressed concern that perhaps he had gone too far.

One Republican Senator, a friend of Mr. Scott's, said, "I'm afraid Hugh has gone out on a limb and, like so many others who got out there, he's going to be cut off."

Mr. Ziegler said afterward that he doubted that Mr. Scott had seen material that had not been made available to the special prosecutor.

John K. Andrews Jr., who resigned as a White House speech writer in December, referred in a telephone interview to notes that he had taken at Presidential meetings with Mr. Kissinger and General Haig.

Both urged the President, according to Mr. Andrews's notes, to break with Mr. Haldeman, the former White House chief of staff, and Mr. Ehrlichman, the former domestic counselor. Mr. Nixon, however, has never retracted the statement he made when the two men resigned last April that they were "two of the finest public servants it has been my privilege to know."

Mr. Andrews said that the President and his top aides had damaged the institution of the Presidency by handling the Watergate issue "behind closed doors."

At the White House news briefing this morning, which was more acrimonious than usual, Mr. Ziegler said that Mr. Andrews was referring to "a mixture of supposed discussions, some of them out of context."

A Firm Determination

Mr. Ziegler said that it was his "very firm determination—indeed it is a fact—that we are not going to proceed day in and day out through 1974 answering questions about the Watergate affair."

When reporters continued to press Mr. Ziegler, without success, for direct answers to a variety of questions, he exclaimed:

"If my answers sound confusing, I think they are confusing because the questions are confusing, and the situation is confusing, and I'm not in a position to clarify it."

The question of the competence of the technical experts who evaluated the White House tapes arose in a corridor of the United States District Courthouse here, outside a room where Miss Woods was testifying before a Federal grand jury that is investigating the erasure of one of the tapes.

Miss Wood's attorney, Charles S. Rhyne, said that the six experts, who were picked jointly by the White House and the special prosecutor's office with the approval of Judge John J. Sirica, were wrong in finding that an 18½-minute gap in one of the tapes had been caused by at least five manual erasures.

As for Mr. Rhyne's comment about "six professors who don't know what they're doing," a check showed that only one of the experts is a professor, the others being consultants or technicians in private laboratories.

In another interview today, Barry Blesser, a professor of electronic engineering at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, who served as a consultant to Judge Sirica in selecting the panel of experts, said that he would "bet my last penny" on the competence of the panel.

Price Put on Sense of Smell

KUALA LUMPUR, Malaysia (AP) — The High Court awarded \$3,181 in damage to S. Subramaniam, a 30-year-old schoolteacher, for the loss of his sense of smell as a result of a motor accident six years ago.