

Rodino Doubts Contempt Mo

WASHINGTON, April 21 (UPI)—Peter W. Rodino Jr., says the House Judiciary Committee will probably not cite President Nixon for contempt of Congress for whatever tapes and documents he refuses to surrender under subpoena this week for the committee's impeachment inquiry.

Mr. Rodino, Democrat of New Jersey, who is the committee chairman, said in an interview that the committee would continue to press for all of the subpoenaed records of 42 Presidential conversations related to the Watergate cover-up. But he added that he was determined to avoid a constitutional confrontation with the President.

He said this meant that he would not press for a House contempt citation against Mr. Nixon. Neither is there any chance, he said, that the committee would seek to dispatch the House sergeant-at-arms to the White House to take physical possession of the materials it wants.