

Meany Says Nixon Unfit

Washington

George Meany, president of the AFL-CIO, said yesterday that President Nixon was no longer fit to be President and should resign.

Meany emerged from an annual meeting of the AFL-CIO Executive Council and told reporters that Mr. Nixon's release of edited transcripts of his White House conversations on Watergate strengthened the case for impeachment.

Saying he was sickened in reading the White House transcript, Meany said the question has now become: "Is this man any longer fit to be President of the United States?"

"I think the best thing this man can do for his country, and for his office, is to resign," Meany said.

The AFL-CIO Executive Council called for impeachment proceedings last February as a means to get at the truth of the Watergate affair.

Meany said the release of the transcripts had changed the picture because the President had said he wanted to take his case to the American people.

A statement issued by the Executive Council asserted that Mr. Nixon had brought "unprecedented shame and disgrace" upon the office of the presidency and said Mr. Nixon should provide all requested tape recordings of White House conversations requested by the House Judiciary Committee investigating his possible impeachment.

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