Ervin to Seek Delay In Watergate Report

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Senator Sam J. Ervin Jr. said yesterday he will ask the Senate Watergate committee to delay the release of its final report until impeachment proceedings against President Nixon are completed.

"I wouldn't want the report to come out at a time when the House had the question under consideration whether articles of impeachment should be preferred against the President, or when the Senate is sitting as a jury in a case such as when articles of impeachment are preferred," Ervin said at a news conference.

Ervin, who is chairman of the committee, said the report should also be delayed until the courts decide whether the committee will receive five White House tapes it is seeking.

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