Panel Vote to Impeach Won't Surprise Ziegler

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Ronald L. Ziegler, the White House press secretary, said today that a House Judiciary Committee vote recommending President Nixon's impeachment "will come as no surprise."

"I don't think anyone feels that the House Judiciary Committee will not vote out a resolution," he said. "That will come as no surprise. I think the nature of the committee and the approach of the House Judiciary Committee staff... makes it certain that this matter will be settled on the House floor."

Mr. Ziegler refused to answer a question whether Mr. Nixon would obey a Supreme Court ruling that he turn over subpoenaed Watergate tapes to Special Prosecutor Leon Jaworski.