

Suggestion On Tapes by Nixon Priest

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A White House aide said yesterday that accommodation between President Nixon and the other government branches will likely be the key to the dispute over release of additional White House tape recordings.

The Rev. John J. McLaughlin, a Jesuit priest working as a Nixon adviser, said in a television interview: "The President is of equal power, prestige, status and rank with the Congress, the Supreme Court and the judiciary of the United States."

Asked if that meant Mr. Nixon could ignore a decision by the Supreme Court on the tapes issue, Father McLaughlin said, "I'm saying that if it develops into that, the way it probably will work out is by reciprocal accommodation."

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