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# Nixon Tape On Milk Is Played

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Members of the House Judiciary Committee who listened to a tape of President Nixon discussing a milk price support increase, said yesterday they heard no mention of campaign contribution pledges from dairymen.

Committee members generally agreed that Mr. Nixon's March 23, 1971, discussion with aides concerned the political ramifications of the price-support question but that campaign contributions were not discussed.

The committee is examining evidence in closed session to determine whether the price-support increase was granted in exchange for a promise by dairy cooperatives to raise \$2 million for the President's re-election campaign.

The committee also heard recordings of two conversations earlier the same day and reviewed documentary evidence to determine whether White House and Nixon campaign aides sought assurances on March 24, 1971, from dairymen that their campaign pledge would be met.

Representative Harold Froehlich (Rep-Wis.) said, "it was a political decision . . . it was not in an area of any wrongdoing."

Both Froehlich and Representative William S. Cohe (Rep-Me.) said the President and his advisers appeared convinced that if they didn't act the Democratic-controlled Congress would pass legislation raising the milk price support.

They said the discussion dealt with the possible loss of political support from dairymen if Congress and the Democrats were permitted to take the initiative.

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