

MOSCOW TV GIVES REPORT ON NIXON

But Press Shuns Remarks
and Impeachment Issue

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MOSCOW, Aug. 6 — Soviet television viewers learned tonight, nearly a day after the fact, that President Nixon had admitted to making mistakes and that he had referred to a possibility of his being removed from office.

The Soviet authorities evidently remained extremely reticent about disclosing the rapid movement toward impeachment.

The official news agency Tass distributed two dispatches on the impeachment situation today, but neither was published by the Soviet press. The Moscow evening newspaper Izvestia received the dispatches in ample time to publish them but failed to do so, clearly because of orders from high officials.

Even the fragmentary accounts given by Tass continued today to present Mr. Nixon in the best possible light. While quoting Mr. Nixon to the effect that he had withheld evidence in the Watergate case, it pointedly added that he had done so because disclosure would "involve national security matters."

Perhaps significantly, the Communist party newspaper Pravda published today the latest in its articles of praise of the recent Soviet-United States summit conference here but without mentioning the American President by name.

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The Soviet leaders have contended that enemies of détente in the United States have whipped up the campaign to remove President Nixon from office. Today, Tass called attention to an article in the Soviet journal S.Sh.A., or U.S.A., attacking the American news media as a tool of the enemies of détente.

Under the title: "Public Opinion and Its Role in Political Life in the U.S.A.," the author, I. Ivanyan, declared: "Never before in the history of bourgeois societies have there been so great a variety of practical opportunities and technical means for exerting influence on public opinion as there is today.

"It doesn't take any special effort to shape public opinion in accordance with the will of those who control channels of mass information."

Peking Silent on Nixon

PEKING, Aug. 6 (Agence France-Presse) — The Chinese press remained silent on the Watergate scandal today, refraining from mentioning the statement yesterday by President Nixon.

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