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**Subpoena for Nixon
Delayed as Air Mail
Replaces Teletype**

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WASHINGTON, Aug. 16—

Former President Richard M. Nixon is not likely to receive his subpoena to testify in the Watergate cover-up trial until next week, a spokesman for the director of United States marshals said today.

The subpoena was issued yesterday morning by the clerk of the United States District Court at the behest of John D. Ehrlichman, once Mr. Nixon's chief domestic adviser and now one of the six defendants in the cover-up case.

Shortly afterward, the United States marshal for the District of Columbia, George K. McKinney, said that his office would send a copy of the subpoena by teletype to the appropriate marshal in California, who would then serve it on Mr. Nixon. However, Mr. McKinney's office sent the subpoena by air mail instead, the spokesman, Chris Rice, said today.

"Chances are," Mr. Rice said, the marshal in Los Angeles won't receive it until Monday. 19 12 3

Mr. Nixon, who faces possible prosecution himself, has not yet testified in person in any of the Watergate-related cases.

The subpoena that Mr.

Ehrlichman obtained yesterday orders Mr. Nixon to appear at the United States Courthouse here on Sept. 9, the day the cover-up trial is scheduled to start. Judge John J. Sirica, the trial judge, will hold a hearing Monday on requests by four of the defendants and the prosecution to delay the trial.