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Some details on the legalities of the Nixon pardon, in this report from correspondent Vic Ratner at the White House.

Ratner: White counsel Philip Buchen tells us President Ford has not talked with former President Nixon, and no deals were worked out between the two men before today's pardon announcement. Buchen revealed that Ford sent an emissary to San Clemente Thursday night [5 Sep] to inform Nixon that the pardon was coming soon. Buchen adds that no consideration is being given now to pardoning any former White House aides who have either been convicted or are awaiting trial on Watergate charges.

Vic Ratner, ABC News, at the White House.

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