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David Denies That Julie Intervened

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David Eisenhower said yesterday his wife, Julie, did not intervene with President Ford on behalf of a pardon for her father, Richard M. Nixon.

"It's completely ridiculous," Eisenhower said after publication of a report by columnists Rowland Evans and Robert Novack. The columnists cited an unnamed Ford adviser as the source of the report that Julie Eisenhower contacted Mr. Ford with the news that the former President was very depressed.

"We've seen the Fords three or four times since the resignation. It's always been a social occasion. The idea of Julie intervening is the stupidest thing I've heard in my life. I'm sure President Ford is motivated by compassion.

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