

Prosecutors' List Of 10 Nixon Probes

During his testimony before the Hungate subcommittee President Ford referred to a memorandum by the Watergate prosecutors outlining possible criminal charges that might be brought against former President Nixon. Following is the text of that memorandum:

Date: Sept. 3, 1974
TO: Leon Jaworski
FROM: Henry Ruth
SUBJECT: Mr. Nixon

The following matters are still under investigation in this Office and may prove to have some direct connection to activities in which Mr. Nixon is personally involved:

1. Tax deductions relating to the gift of pre-Presidential papers.

2. The Colson obstruction of justice plea in the Ellsberg matter.

3. The transfer of the national security wire tap records from the FBI to the White House.

4. The initiating of wire tapping of John Sears.

5. Misuse of IRS information.

6. Misuse of IRS through attempted initiation of audits as to "enemies."

7. The dairy industry pledge and its relationship to the price support change.

8. Filing of a challenge to the Washington Post ownership of two Florida television stations.

9. False and evasive testimony at the Kleindienst confirmation hearings as to White House participation in Department of Justice decisions about ITT.

10. The handling of campaign contributions by Mr. Rebozo for the personal benefit.

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None of these matters at the moment rises to the level of our ability to prove even a probable criminal violation by Mr. Nixon, but I thought you ought to know which of the pending investigations were even remotely connected to Mr. Nixon. Of course, the Watergate cover-up is the subject of a separate memorandum.