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2 Nixon Servants Off Federal Payroll

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Former President Nixon will no longer have his family maid and valet on the public payroll, a White House spokesman announced yesterday.

As of October 5, Manolo and Fina Sanchez, longtime employees of the Nixons, went on leave without pay from the Interior Department payroll, presidential

press secretary Ron Nessen reported.

The White House said later that the couple are remaining in San Clemente on Mr. Nixon's personal staff.

Disclosures that the two were being paid with government funds drew criticism during a Senate appropriations subcommittee's consideration last month of a requested \$850,000 in transition funds for the former

president.

Manolo had been listed in a \$13,000 job and his wife Fina for \$8000 under the National Park Service for services in the Nixon household.

They are off the government payroll now, Nessen said. But aides said the "on Leave" status is retained because of some government benefits they are entitled to.

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