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Nixon's Papers Were Moved

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Former President Nixon's official papers have been moved to a Maryland storage center and only the most sensitive materials, including his tapes, remain in the White House complex, officials said yesterday.

The move was made three months ago, with court approval, by the General Services Administration, the federal housekeeping agency. Richard Vawter, the agency's director of information, said "we made no announcement then because we wanted to maximize security arrangements."

Vawter said about 80 per cent of the Nixon material held at the Executive Office Building, adjacent to the White House, was shifted to the GSA's Washington National Records Center in Suitland, Md.

The move was made to reduce storage costs and increase protection against humidity and fire, he said.

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