

Reports of an Illegal Chappaquiddick Wiretap

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Soon after Mary Jo Kopechne drowned on Chappaquiddick Island on July 18, 1969, an illegal wiretap was placed on the phone in the Georgetown house where she had lived with three other girls, according to a source close to the Senate Watergate investigating committee.

The wiretap, this source said, was installed either by or under the direction of John J. Caulfield and Anthony T. Ulasewicz, two former New York policemen who began working for the White House in early 1969.

In his testimony before the Watergate committee in May, Caulfield said that in the first three years of his White House assignment, Ulasewicz, "first on orders from Mr. (John D.) Ehrlichman and later, in some instances, on orders from Mr. John Dean (former White House Counsel), under my supervisions, performed a variety of investigative functions."

Miss Kopechne drowned when the car in which she was riding with Senator Edward M. Kennedy plunged off a narrow wooden bridge over a tidal creek about midnight.

Miss Kopechne, who had worked in the office of Senator Robert F. Kennedy, was employed at the time by Matthew Reese Associates, a political consulting firm.

She lived with three other girls at 2912 Olive street in the Georgetown section of Washington. Her housemates were Margaret Carroll, an editor for the National Journal; Nance Lyons, who was on Kennedy's staff, and Carol Littlejohn, an employee of the

Soviet Space Visitors

Houston

A 34-member delegation of Soviet space officials, including ten cosmonauts, will begin a three-week visit here Monday to further plans for a joint 1975 space mission.

This will be the first visit for the crews, a space center spokesman said yesterday. Specific mission training will not be conducted.

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Office of Education in the Department of Health, Education and Welfare.

In an interview yesterday, Miss Carroll, on being told that investigators for the committee had learned that the phone had been tapped, said that she had suspected it had been. She said that she had based her suspicions on two things that happened soon after the accident.

First, she said, voices of people to whom she and her housemates talked on the phone "faded," as if the power was being drained, and there were strange "clicks" and "whirrings."

Second, she said, for several weeks after the accident a small unmarked delivery truck was parked in the street near the house, and sometimes there were two such trucks.

When, much later, she spoke about this to a person who had a knowledge of surveillance techniques, Miss Carroll said, she was told that if a transmitter had

been placed inside the phone, it would have received its power from the telephone circuit and there would be a fading of voices.

Furthermore, this expert said, the signal would be so weak that receiving equipment would have to be located nearby. Such equipment could have been in the truck, this expert said.

In the Watergate bugging, a transmitter was installed in the telephone, and the receiving equipment was across the street in the Howard Johnson motel.

In his testimony on June 25, Dean said:

"Mr. Caulfield told me that within six hours of the accident . . . he had a friend named Tony on the scene, who remained on the scene conducting a private investigation of the matter and reporting pertinent information back to him . . . Caulfield told me that Mr. Ulasewicz posed as a newspaper reporter and always asked the most embarrassing questions at any press gathering related to the is expected to question Ulasewicz about the Chappaquiddick incident."

Cartha D. DeLoach, former deputy director of the FBI, said in a telephone interview that he knew of no authorized tap on the girls' phone.

And Richard G. Kleindienst, former attorney general who was deputy attorney general at the time, said in another telephone interview that if a tap had been placed on the phone, it would have been "illegal" and the person placing it, if known, should be prosecuted.

The Watergate committee sewicz about the tap when he is recalled next week.