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## MEMORANDUM TO MEMBERS OF THE JUDICIARY COMMITTEE

At the direction of Chairman Rodino, Mr. Jenner and I went to Judge Sirica's Chambers at 9:30 a.m., March 26, where the Grand Jury materials were inventoried and delivered to us. The materials are now secure in a safe at our offices in the Congressional Annex. The materials are, of course, covered by the Committee's rules of confidentiality. Access to the materials is restricted to a need-to-know basis.

Work is going forward on the brief with respect to Committee procedures in connection with the evidentiary presentation and in connection with the taking of depositions. We will do careful and thorough research before submitting the memorandum to the Committee members for their consideration.

Almost all of the material which the White House delivered to Mr. Jaworski has been received by us, the last material arriving on March 22, 1974. This material included eighteen recordings of presidential conversations, materials related to these presidential conversations, logs of twelve persons on the White House staff, documents relating to the Plumbers unit, the ITT matter, the dairy industry matter, campaign contributions, and the tape inquiry. We have not received sixty-nine documents as to which a claim of executive privilege has been asserted in pending litigation unrelated to our investigation. These documents have been turned over to the U.S. District Court for in camera inspection for the purpose of determining the validity of that claim. So long as the Committee on the Judiciary does not require the physical possession of these materials, we have agreed to examine them at the White House until such time as the District Court rules on the claim of executive privilege. Whenever the Committee on the Judiciary requires the material, Mr. St. Clair has agreed to produce all of it forthwith.

At our last discussion with Mr. St. Clair on Friday, March 22,

he told us that our request of February 25 for the six specific items relating to 41 recorded presidential conversations between February 20 and April 18, 1973, was under consideration by the President. He hoped that we could submit any additional requests to the White House at one time. We advised Mr. St. Clair that we would have additional requests for other presidential recorded conversations. We said we would prepare and submit them as quickly as we had them ready. We also advised Mr. St. Clair that we would expect to request inspection and copying of specific documents. We said we would attempt to make our next set of requests as comprehensive as possible, but in a continuing investigation facts emerge which may make additional requests necessary.

We are still working to sift the material in the six areas of investigation so as to bring to the Committee for their consideration a further report on the status of the inquiry.

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