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## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

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United States District Courthouse  
3rd & Constitution Avenue, N. W.  
Washington, D. C.

November 20, 1973

The testimony of JOHN W. DEAN, III was taken in  
the presence of a full quorum of the Grand Jury.

BEFORE:

RICHARD BEN-VENISTE, ESQ.  
Assistant Special Prosecutor  
United States Department of Justice

GEORGE T. FRAMPTON, JR, ESQ.  
Assistant Special Prosecutor  
United States Department of Justice

JILL VOLNER  
Assistant Special Prosecutor  
United States Department of Justice

21 Q Now in about the first week of December, did Mr.  
22 Mitchell contact you about using some of the White House cash  
23 fund to meet the defendants' demands?

24 A Yes, he did.

25 Q How did that come about?

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1           A     Well, the demands had reached a crescendo and there  
2 was no other money available. There had been earlier dis-  
3 cussions with LaRue and O'Brien about this. It was suggested  
4 that they borrow roughly forty or fifty thousand dollars from  
5 the White House fund and they would repay these funds.

6           This was a renewed request of that from Mr. Mitchell  
7 directly to me, telling me that I should talk to Mr. Haldeman  
8 about getting those funds.

9           Q     Mr. Mitchell told you that the need was acute?

10          A     Yes.

11          Q     And he asked you to see Haldeman to seek his approval  
12 to go ahead and use some of the money for this purpose?

13          A     That's correct. He was quite aware of the fact that  
14 the funds were under Mr. Haldeman's control.

15          Q     Did Mr. Mitchell indicate that the money would be  
16 returned sometime?

17          A     He did.

18          Q     Did you then consult with Mr. Haldeman about this?

19          A     Yes, I did.

20          Q     Can you tell the Grand Jury the substance of what-  
21 ever conversation you had with Mr. Haldeman about this matter?

22          A     Well, I told Mr. Haldeman that while I didn't like  
23 the procedure, I had no alternative to offer him because the  
24 demands at this point were very acute and Mr. Mitchell had  
25 made the request and I didn't have any suggestion to make.



1 I said, "It's my understanding that they will pay  
2 the money back as soon as they have raised additional monies  
3 themselves and that the White House fund will then be kept  
4 intact."

5 He said that I should go ahead and tell Strachan to  
6 deliver the money to Mr. LaRue.

7 Q For this purpose?

8 A For this purpose.