

1 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

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3 IN RE: POSSIBLE VIOLATIONS :
4 OF 18 USC 2511 and 2512 :
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6 Grand Jury Room No. 3
7 United States District Courthouse
8 3rd & Constitution Avenue, N. W.
9 Washington, D. C.

Tuesday, January 29, 1974

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11 The testimony of EGIL KROGH, JR., was presented to
12 a full quorum of the Grand Jury.

13 BEFORE:

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1 but I was not told this specifically as to who would be in-
2 volved in those meetings.

3 Q So what you're saying is that you would not do any-
4 thing with respect to going over to the Justice Department or
5 to the Prosecutors until at least Mr. Mitchell arrived in
6 Washington and it was learned how this Hunt demand would be
7 handled or how it had been handled?

8 A That's correct.

9 Q Now, did there come a time thereafter when you spoke
10 to Mr. Ehrlichman again?

11 A Yes, sir. After that discussion with him on Wednes-
12 day, the 21st, I went home. I stayed away from the Department
13 of Transportation all day on Thursday the 22nd.

14 Q At that time, you were Under Secretary of the De-
15 partment of Transportation?

16 A I was Under Secretary of the Department of Trans-
17 portation, and I called in and said that I was not feeling
18 well, which was true, and was literally awaiting the outcome
19 of those meetings on Thursday.

20 Q And did you then have a telephone conversation with
21 Mr. Ehrlichman on the 22nd?

22 A Yes, sir, I did. It was in the late afternoon some-
23 thing I received a call from him and he indicated to me that
24 Mr. Hunt was, apparently, stable or more stable and that his
25 recommendation would be just to hang tough -- that's all.

1 precise words that he used in that telephone conversation.

2 Q Did Mr. Ehrlichman indicate to you that he had
3 learned from Mr. Mitchell, in substance, that Mr. Hunt was
4 not going to blow?

5 A That is correct. I'm not sure exactly what the
6 words were that he used, but the clear impression I derived
7 was that Mr. Hunt was stable and that he was not going to
8 disclose all, and I believe the opportunity would have been
9 the next day at his sentencing hearing in the U. S. Court-
10 house.

11 Q Now, did you, thereafter, have a telephone conversa-
12 tion with Mr. Dean?

13 A Yes, sir, I did. I'm not sure whether he initiated
14 it or I did, but, in any event, as I had had an independent
15 conversation with Mr. Dean earlier in the week, I wanted to
16 find out from him what he felt would be the appropriate thing
17 to do.

18 It was a short conversation. He told me, "Bud, now
19 is not the time to do anything rash." Which I interpreted to
20 mean, do nothing, and I didn't.

21 Q And that was also in the context of Mr. Hunt not
22 going to blow the lid off, at least on any eminent prediction
23 of time?

24 A I assume that is so.

25 MR. BEN-VENISTE: I have no further questions at