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Part of a telephone conversation between President Nixon in the Oval Office and John W. Dean III between 1:12 pm and 1:13 pm on April 21, 1971.

Conversation No. 2-23

President: I want to be sure - I talked to the Attorney General this morning, Erhlichman was here --

Dean: Um-hum.

President: -- that nothing is done on these veterans. Is that understood?

Dean: Absolutely. We have --.

President: Now, now, is the word out that they are not to touch 'em, they're not --

Dean: Correct.

President: -- to do a thing? And if you g-, asked any questions, just say, "Well, uh, uh, it, uh, came too late," or, uh, "they're only gonna be here a couple days," or how ya handling it?

Dean: My thought is that, uh, we don't know what the Supreme Court's gonna do yet.

President: Yeah.

Dean: Now, we have a meeting scheduled at three o'clock over in --

President: Um-hum.

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Dean: -- Kleindienst's office --

President: Right.

Dean: -- to kick it around and to see what we can do to --.

President: You just kick it around and kick it around and kick it around and don't --

Dean: [Unintelligible].

President: -- do a damn thing. Get a hold of the District Police. They're not to touch 'em. They're to do nothing. Just let 'em raise hell.

Dean: I agree, and we will proceed --

President: Okay.

Dean: -- accordingly.

President: Okay.

Dean: Okay, sir.