

March 2, 1971

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MEMORANDUM FOR: JOHN DEAN

FROM: CHARLES W. COLSON

I understand that, on behalf of Howard Hughes, Mr. Maheu was supposed to deliver \$50,000 to the Nixon campaign. As you perhaps know, this appears on none of our records.

The probability is, or at least the suspicion is, that Maheu pocketed the money or used it for some other purpose of his own. Hughes' records, however, show that \$50,000 was given to him for this purpose. This should be double checked with Maury Stans, of course, before anything is done with it to be sure that Maury did not receive the funds on some basis which wouldn't show in our records.

In any event, if he pocketed the money he certainly has an IRS problem. Maheu is very close to Senator Muskie. Need I say more?

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