

Mr. WALSH. I don't care to answer that or any other question.

Mr. RAY. Objection.

Mr. WALSH. May we be excused, please?

Mr. PATMAN. No, you can't be excused.

Mr. WALSH. Well, then I am going to sit here and you can read.

Mr. PATMAN. What was the value of the Walsh Family Foundation as of December 31, 1966?

Mr. RAY. Objection.

Mr. PATMAN. Could you answer that?

Mr. WALSH. No, sir.

Mr. PATMAN. You are directed to answer it.

Mr. CORMAN. Mr. Chairman, so we can have the record complete, I wonder if counsel would tell us the time that he requested executive session, because I do not recall it, though I may not have been in the room.

Did counsel make a request for executive session?

Mr. RAY. I believe it is all in the transcript, Mr. Corman.

Mr. CORMAN. Counsel, did you make a request for executive session of this committee since it started?

Mr. RAY. You may check the transcript, Mr. Corman.

Mr. CORMAN. I am asking you to answer yes or no, counsel. It is a matter of a slip of the memory. Did you ask this committee for executive session?

You raised that as one of your objections. It seems to me that——

Mr. RAY. I don't believe that is the proper forum for us to discuss this, Mr. Corman. It is in the transcript.

Mr. CORMAN. You stated in your objections to this committee that you were denied executive session.

I am asking you whether or not you made a request for it in writing or verbally when the committee was in session. I do not recall that you did. I have been here most of the time.

Now, that really can't involve any of your constitutional rights to respond to that one.

Mr. PATMAN. I have no recollection of any such request being made, and I believe I would remember it.

Mr. CORMAN. Counsel, it would seem to me that you either ought to withdraw your objection to these hearings that you pose concerning denial of executive session, or tell us when you made the request, or if you made the request at all, because I believe you did not make it. If you are making it now, the chairman could consider it.

Mr. IRWIN. Mr. Chairman?

Mr. PATMAN. Yes, Mr. Irwin?

Mr. IRWIN. I wonder if counsel would mind repeating his objection as read just now under oath. I am asking you a question.

Mr. RAY. I am not a witness before this committee, Mr. Irwin.

Mr. IRWIN. You are making a claim here about what you have done and haven't done before the subcommittee.

Mr. RAY. I believe——

Mr. IRWIN. You just listen for a minute, young man, I am simply asking you whether you want to make that request, whether you will agree to make that request you just made now under oath. You don't have to argue with me. You can just say "Yes, I will, Mr. Irwin," or "No, I won't, Mr. Irwin."