

Ford Asked to Give Hill CIA's Report

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The Senate Select Committee on Intelligence Operations voted yesterday to ask President Ford for the Central Intelligence Agency's top-secret report to him on allegations of illegal CIA domestic activities.

Committee Chairman Frank Church (D-Idaho) indicated after a closed, 90-minute meeting that the committee had decided to ask Mr. Ford at the same time for copies of any executive orders and National Security Council directives assigning various tasks to the

CIA and other government intelligence agencies.

Church declined to say whether he expected any claims of executive privilege. "I'd rather wait and let the White House make the next move," he said. "The ball is now in that court."

The 11-member committee vote unanimously to request the documents. Sen. John G. Tower (R-Tex.), the vice chairman, said he thought the President would "bend every effort to cooperate with us" and thus avoid a protracted investigation. The committee also made

of a public exchange of correspondence with CIA Director William E. Colby that suggests some intricate negotiations may be necessary as the Senate's CIA investigation moves forward.

Colby formally agreed to let CIA employees discuss classified information with Senate investigators, but not what he described as "particularly sensitive matters."

For these, Colby said, "different procedures are obviously necessary." In such instances, the CIA director said

agency employees would first propose ways of responding to the committee without exposing "sensitive details." If the committee insists on disclosure, Colby said he was prepared to negotiate with it over "the appropriate course of action to be taken."

Following yesterday's session, Tower also announced the appointment of the committee's minority counsel, Alexander H. Smith, a former deputy assistant secretary of defense, and once the Army's youngest full-time military trial judge.