

# Old files sought in probe of CIA

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WASHINGTON — Congressional investigators, broadening their probe of the Central Intelligence Agency, have asked President Ford to give them all White House documents authorizing foreign and domestic intelligence activities during the last three decades.

A White House spokesman said Saturday that Ford has made no decision on the sweeping request, received Wednesday from Sen. Frank Church, D-Idaho, chairman of the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence.

Church's letter said the committee needed "documents, files and other papers that might be required to determine fully the legal basis for the activities of United States intelligence agencies."

In an attachment to his letter, Church listed four categories of documents he said he was requesting "with the unanimous approval of the committee." They were:

—The report furnished to Ford by CIA director William Colby in January after news accounts alleging illegal domestic spying by the CIA.

—"All executive orders, national security decision memoranda or intelligence directives, and other White House directives pertaining to the charter, structure or guidelines for any overt or covert foreign or domestic intelligence agencies or activities."

—All White House documents and instructions "pertaining to the structure, functions or organization of intelligence policy organizations within the office of the president . . ."

—Organization charts and staffing patterns for all intelligence-related organizations within the White House, dating back to 1947.

White House officials said presidential counsel Philip Buchen had been assigned to study the request.

Church referred in his letter

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ter to Ford's stated willingness to assist the committee in its investigation.

The Church letter made specific mention of several intelligence organizations within the office of the president, indicating the probe was extending beyond the CIA itself.

Among the organizations it cited were the "Forty Committee," a high-level panel which oversees intelligence policy making, and the Washington Special Action Group, chaired by Secretary of State Henry Kissinger to handle major crisis situations.

## Charges of assassinations

# Probe sought of CIA's foreign ties

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WASHINGTON — Allegations that the Central Intelligence Agency was involved in plots to assassinate foreign leaders should be investigated by a congressional committee, not the Rockefeller commission, presidential press secretary Ron Nessen said Monday.

Nessen said President Ford feels such accusations are outside the scope of the Rockefeller panel, which he has asked to probe charges that the CIA spied on Americans in the United States.

The press secretary made his remarks after reports from two former aides to Sen. Robert F. Kennedy that Kennedy had once blocked a CIA plan to use the Mafia to assassinate Cuban Premier Fidel Castro.

The two former aides, Adam Walinsky and Peter Edelman, said that in 1967 a newspaper column reported that former President Kennedy might have been slain by Cubans in retaliation for the alleged plot against Castro which, the story said, was

approved by Robert Kennedy. Thus, the column implied Robert Kennedy might have been indirectly responsible for his brother's death.

"Sen. (Robert) Kennedy was outraged by this column. He revealed to members of his staff that far from approving any plot to assassinate Premier Castro, he had in fact stopped such a plot when he discovered it," Walinsky said.

"I recall that Sen. Kennedy also said something like 'I found out that some people were going to try an attempt on Castro's life and I turned it off,'" added Edelman.

While Nessen said probing such charges would be beyond the scope of the Rockefeller commission, he added: "It certainly would be appropriate for the Church investigation."

Sen. Frank Church, D-Idaho, is chairman of the Senate committee investigating the CIA.

In Santo Domingo, Gen. Antonio Imbert Barreras, one of the conspirators who assassinated Dominican Republic dictator Rafael L. Trujillo in 1961, said Monday the CIA had no role in the plot.

It is to be remembered that Appointed President Gerald R Ford proudly was a member from Congress to the Warren Commission throughout its "investigation" into the assassination of Elected President John F Kennedy. Are such domestic assassinations within the boundaries of the United States

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