

## Court Asked To Halt <sup>F Post</sup> 8/3/72 Pentagon Papers Trial

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Supreme Court was urged Wednesday to turn down a government request that the halted Pentagon Papers trial be resumed.

Defense attorneys for Daniel Ellsberg and Anthony Russo said in their petition to the court that "any inconvenience the government may suffer is of its own making."

Defense attorneys also opposed the request made last Monday by Solicitor General Erwin N. Griswold that, if necessary, the Supreme Court convene a special session during its current recess to determine the matter.

The defense said that nothing in the case warrants "the extremely unusual" step of convening a special session.

Government and defense attorneys have engaged in a dis-

pute over wiretapping since the judicial case began.

The trial was halted last week. Supreme Court Justice William O. Douglas issued a stay to allow litigation of the wiretapping issue.

The government asked the high court to set aside the stay.

Unless the court sets it aside, the stay postpones resumption of the trial to at least Aug. 29. This is the final date for a defense application for hearing by the high tribunal. The court may not act on such a request until it returns for its fall session in October.

The defense may ask the court to decide whether Ellsberg and Russo and their attorneys should have access to logs of a government wiretap on which a member of the defense was overheard.