Safety Board agrees to hear Skolnick views

The National Transportation Safety Board agreed Friday to hear Sherman Skolnick's theories about the cause of a crash of a United Air Lines jet Dec. 8 near Midway Airport.

The NTSB acted in response to a request by a United vice president who said that while Skolnick's theories appear to have "no factual basis," he should be given an opportunity to put them on the record.

Skolnick, who calls himself a legal researcher, has contended the Central Intelligence Agency sabotaged the jet to kill several persons aboard with links to the Watergate affair, including the wife of E. Howard Hunt, convicted Watergate bugging figure. So far, Skolnick has produced no evidence.