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**C.I.A. PLANS TO KEEP
EQUIPMENT SECRET****Contends It Is Exempt From
Justice Department Rule**

WASHINGTON, July 4 (AP)—The Justice Department says it is studying the Central Intelligence Agency's refusal to comply with a requirement that Government agencies describe their electronic surveillance equipment to the Attorney General.

A spokesman for the Justice Department said last night that the C.I.A. had notified the department last month that it did not intend to comply with the rule on the ground that the agency was not a "domestic investigative agency."

The department, in a 1972 memorandum, required executive agencies to file annual reports giving inventories of their electronic surveillance equipment.

Robert Feldkamp, a spokesman for the Justice Department said agencies such as the Agriculture and Commerce Departments and the former Atomic Energy Commission had complied, but not the C.I.A.

Mr. Feldkamp said that the question of C.I.A. compliance was under study by the Justice Department, and that, "At this point, the department is not saying C.I.A. is incorrect."

John S. Warner, general counsel for the agency, said the memo applied to law enforcement agencies and that the C.I.A. was not such an agency.

Reorganization Proposals

Meanwhile, a White House official said proposals for reorganizing the intelligence community were being examined, including a suggestion that the coordinator of all American intelligence agencies be someone other than the director of the C.I.A.

At present, William E. Colby is both Director of the C.I.A. and Director of Central Intelligence. The latter post puts him in charge of coordinating the C.I.A., the National Security Agency and the Pentagon's intelligence functions.

Some former officials of the C.I.A. have argued that few directors of the agency have the time or influence to coordinate all the agencies effectively.

The White House official, stressing that this was "just one of many" proposals being considered, said another suggestion called for breaking the C.I.A. into two separate operations. One concerns the analytical mission involving open collection of data and the analysis of all available information. The other involves the covert collection of data and the clandestine operations designed to influence events in foreign countries.