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# Ford Says Soviet Aids Portuguese Reds

WASHINGTON, Aug. 3 (Reuter)—In an interview published today, President Ford accused the Soviet Union of quietly helping the Communists in Portugal and called it tragic that the United States was unable to help the situation there.

Western European countries are helping "democratic friends" in Portugal, he said in the interview with the magazine U.S. News & World Report, but because of Congressional investigations of the Central Intelligence Agency, the United States is unable to participate. [The interview was conducted before he left last weekend on his current visit to Europe.]

## 'Portugal in Turmoil'

"We don't like the fact that Portugal is in turmoil now," he said. "I think it is undoubtedly recognized that the Soviet Union is quietly helping the Communist elements in Portugal."

"On the other hand, we do know that West European countries are helping their social democratic friends in Portugal," he said. "I think it is very tragic that because of the C.I.A. investigation and all the limitations imposed on us in the area of covert operations, we aren't able to participate with other West European countries."

"I am not saying our participation would automatically solve the problem," the President added, "but détente shouldn't prevent us—and it doesn't prevent us—from going in and meeting the challenges where we know the Soviet Union is involved."

## Schlesinger: C.I.A. Undercut

WASHINGTON, Aug. 3 (UPI)—Secretary of Defense James R. Schlesinger has said that

## Sees U.S. Help Stalled Because of Inquiries at Home Into C.I.A.

R. Schlesinger has said that the Central Intelligence Agency's sources of information abroad "have been dramatically reduced" as a result of leaks from Congressional investigating committees.

Mr. Schlesinger, who once headed the C.I.A., was questioned by Senator James L. Buckley, Conservative-Republican of New York, in a recorded television interview. [Parts of the interview were reported in The New York Times Sunday.]

The Senator asked whether "we have reason to fear that the willingness of foreign governments to work with us is being undercut" because of C.I.A. secrets that had been made public.

"I think we have more than reason to fear," Mr. Schlesinger replied.

"I think," he went on, "that we recognize that the sources of information coming into the

C.I.A. have been dramatically reduced in both liaison relationships and in relation to the willingness of foreigners to work with our intelligence people, and that is an inevitable effect on these kinds of revelations."

Mr. Schlesinger dismissed as "a dramatic oversimplification" the notion that the only kind of intelligence the United States needed was what was provided by spy satellites.

"Photographs, of course, can provide you with indications with respect to the growth of certain types of capabilities," he said, "but one must recognize that nobody has ever been able to photograph intentions."

"The only way we are ever able to get at intentions is through normal human intelligence and, in addition to that, there are various technical parameters that one can never learn through photographs," he continued.

"So all of the elements of the intelligence community must be effective if the U.S. is to have eyes and ears in what continues to be a relatively dangerous world," the Secretary said.