

SENATORS STUDY C.I.A.'S SUBSIDIES

Ex-Student Aides Heard at
3-Hour Secret Session

WASHINGTON, March 6 (AP)

The Senate Foreign Relations Committee held a three-hour secret inquiry today into Central Intelligence Agency subsidies to the National Student Association.

Senator J. W. Fulbright, Democrat of Arkansas who is chairman of the committee, then told newsmen "it's none of your business" what went on.

There were two witnesses, both former officers of the student association, and they were questioned separately.

The committee's independent inquiry ran counter to the stand of the Senate majority leader,

Mike Mansfield, Democrat of Montana, who said again today that he sees no need for a special investigation of the subsidies.

Michael Wood, formerly in charge of student association fund-raising programs, testified first. He then was dismissed while Philip Sherburne, former president of the association, was questioned.

Mr. Sherburne said later the committee had asked him to appear, but he would not discuss his testimony.

"We've had an executive meeting," Mr. Fulbright said, "and I don't care to comment on it."

Senator Wayne Morse, Democrat of Oregon, said the session had left him more convinced that the intelligence agency should be "drastically limited" in its activities.

Students Ask Open Help

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WASHINGTON, March 6 —

An American student group

called on Congress today to create an independent agency that would openly continue Government financial aid to private organizations that had received secret funds from the Central Intelligence Agency.

Student directors of the Collegiate Council for the United Nations, an organization with chapters on 400 American college campuses, said the "duplicitous" of the secret funding of ostensibly independent, nongovernment student groups had done "grievous damage to the international goodwill, close working relationship and mutual trust that has been painstakingly built over the past years between United States student groups and their counterparts overseas."

In a statement, officials of the student group, which is affiliated with the United Nations Association of the United States, declared that it was vital that groups that had renounced assistance from the intelligence agency now be "funded by

means which do not call into question their credibility as independent organizations."

The collegiate council, founded in 1946, said it had received no funds from the intelligence agency and called for the "complete cessation" of secret funding of private organizations by that agency.

A statement signed by 12 of the council's 14 student directors said it was the responsibility of individuals, private foundations and corporate donors to support worthwhile international and cultural exchange activities of student, labor and other American associations.

But the statement said that the experience of student groups during the 1950's, when there was popular suspicion and "McCarthyite fear and mistrust of liberal groups, particularly of youth and students," indicated that private philanthropies probably would be slow to fill the void caused by withdrawal of intelligence agency funds.