

Probe of U.S. Role In Chile Coup Asked

Senate Majority Leader Mike Mansfield, (D-Mont.) yesterday urged a Senate investigation to determine whether the United States was involved in the overthrow of Chilean President Salvador Allende.

He cited news reports alleging that the Central Intelligence Agency and certain multinational corporations may have lent support to the mili-

tary group that deposed Allende earlier this month.

"These allegations make it imperative that the appropriate committees of the Senate look into this matter so that if these allegations are false—and I think they are—they can be aid to rest," Mansfield told the Senate.

"It's a matter of credibility," and an investigation is needed so that U.S. relations with other Latin American nations are not harmed, he said.

Senate Minority Leader Hugh Scott (R-Pa.) while not opposing Mansfield's recommendation, said that if such a study is conducted, "I will insist that if they find no U.S. involvement that they make as much of a fuss about it as they would if they found U.S. involvement."