

Time Story On CIA and Chile Vote

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William Colby, director of the Central Intelligence Agency, says the CIA was not involved in last year's military coup in Chile that toppled the regime of Salvador Allende.

But the CIA did try to prevent Allende's election in 1970, Time magazine reported yesterday.

The magazine said it has learned the National Security Council ordered the CIA "to keep the election fair," and granted the intelligence agency \$5 million to do the job, although less than that was spent.

"You buy votes in Boston; you buy votes in Santiago," a member of the CIA told Time.

Colby told the magazine that the CIA preferred to see Allende defeated in elections scheduled for 1976, and had nothing to do with the Sept. 11, 1973, military takeover in which Allende either committed suicide or was killed.

"Our program in Chile was to sustain the democratic forces," he said. "We looked forward to the democratic forces coming to power in the elections of 1976."

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