ACLU Challenges Assertion in Clemency Board That Ford's Amnesty Program Was A Success



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WASHINGTON, Jan. 6- The American Civil Liberties Union made public today a copy of the final report of the Presidential Clemency Board for Vietnam war resisters and immediately challenged the document's assertion that the program had been a success.

"In conclusion, we consider ourselves to have been partners in mission of national reconciliation, wisely conceived by the President," the introduction to the report says.

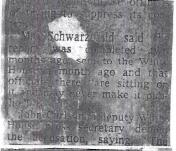
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resident has received the report and it is to be reviewed
by the staff." Mr. Carlson said
that the report was "a public
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were available to anyone. He
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the Presidential Clemency
Board, former Senator Charles
E. Goodell Republican of New
York, should be available to
respond to questions about its
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Attempts to discuss the report with Mr Goodell were unavailing. Persons at his law office here said he had left Washington after the A.C.L.U news conference and that he was not available for comment.

They, in turn, referred questions about the report to the White House.

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The 409-page document was published by the Government Printing Office. Its cost is \$3.80, but officials of the printing office said the White House had not approved public sale of the report.

Last September four of the 19 members of the clemency board refused to sign the report, contending that the spirit of the said of the spirit of the said order.



