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WASHINGTON AP - Sen. Edward d. Kennedy insisted anew

Sunday that he will not seek the Democratic nomination for president in 1.7%, and 'I would not accept a draft.' But ne left the door open beyond that year.

'Any of us who are involved in public life have a difficult enough time looking forward from year to year or from election to election and I think I gave my response to the questions about

1:72, "Rennedy said, adding:

"Beyond that I have . . . thought very little about any future political activity" except seeking re-election to the Senate this

The Massachusetts Democrat made his comments on the Metromedia Radio News Interview program 'Profile.', he said also in response to questions 'I will not be a candidate for the vice presidency either', in 1972. he said he had not planned to run for the presidency or vice presidency before the accident at Chappaquidich Island in which has dary Jo Kopechne died in the car which he was driving. The senator and the secretary were headed for the Chappaquidick Island ferry when kennedy's car plunged from a narrow bridge, hennedy would offer no new comment.

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Pressed as to why he would not seek an office higher than senator, Kennedy replied: There are a variety of different reasons which would certainly cause me a hesitancy to seek higher office. Many of them are personal and don't need, I feel, further

kennedy was asked whom he would support in 1972.

Tid certainly include former Vice President Hubert Humphrey on any list, "Kennedy replied. He then listed six senators-Edmu d S. Muslie of Main, George McGovern of South Dakota, Abraham Ricicoff of Connecticut, Gaylord Nelson of Wisconsin, Birch Bayh of Indiana, and Harold Hughes of Iowa.

All of these men have different strengths, and I suppose we're fortunate within our party to have a variety of individuals who could, I think, perform the responsibility extremely well, "Kennedy said."

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In another field, Kennedy repeated his expression of serious reservations about President Rixon's order sending incrican

He forecast that the Senate will reject funds for phase two expansion of the Safeguard antiballistic missile system because there an increasing realization that this . . . is an extraordinarily expensive system, which cannot provide additional security. It will only increase the arms race and there will be counter reaction within the Soviet Union, he added.

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