

McCloskey: 'Data From Ellsberg'

WASHINGTON — (AP) — his Washington office and gave him a "voluminous" pile of documents which had been copied on a Xerox machine.

Ellsberg accompanied McCloskey on a plane trip to California during which the

McCloskey, a leading critic of the war who is laying plans to oppose President Nixon in next year's presidential primary elections, said he has kept the documents in a safe ever since.

If the Times is blocked permanently by court order from further publication of the study the congressman said, he will seek a House vote on whether the material in his hands should be made public.

McCloskey told newsmen he met Ellsberg when both participated in a panel discussion of the war at Princeton University last April 19.

During private conversation with him, McCloskey said, the congressman told of his difficulties in getting the Defense Department to give him information on U.S. war activities in Laos.

A few weeks later, McCloskey said, Ellsberg came to

documents were examined and explained.

McCloskey would not make any comment on the nature of the material but said it appears to be similar to what was published by the New York Times earlier in the week before the government won a temporary court order preventing further publication.