

Harriman and Vance Claim Shriver Right in War Charge

..... Former Attorney General John N. Mitchell emerged from his self-imposed political exile [and] said in a statement that [Democratic presidential candidate George] McGovern had said more than a year ago that [Ramsey] Clark would be "perfect" as a successor to the late FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover.

"What a travesty: To replace the great J. Edgar Hoover, foremost adversary of domestic subversion for half a century, with a man who has allowed himself to be manipulated by a Communist regime that has upon its hands the blood of 55,000 American servicemen," said Mitchell.

Clark, who was President Johnson's Attorney General, is on a two-week tour of North Vietnam, and has been quoted almost daily by Hanoi Radio as criticizing Mr. Nixon's bombing campaign.

Mitchell said McGovern, who reportedly supported Clark for the FBI post in an Oct. 3, 1971, interview with The Miami Herald, "has an obligation to repudiate publicly the outrageous conduct of his senior adviser, fulltime supporter and prospective FBI director."