

'Outraged'

Kissinger and Pentagon Spy

Washington

Secretary of State Henry Kissinger has told a Senate committee that he learned in late 1971 that a Navy clerk assigned to his office had pilfered and forwarded to the Pentagon the text of a private report to President Nixon after Kissinger's secret trip to China earlier that year.

In testimony released yesterday by the Senate Armed Services Committee, Kissinger — who was then the President's national security adviser — said the documents concerned "a conversation that I had with Chou En-lai (the Chinese premier) on the occasion of my first visit to China."

Kissinger's testimony was the first direct evidence that "eyes only" material — intended solely for the President, and not for the Pentagon — had been involved in the military spying operation. The trip marked the beginning of the Nixon administration's rapprochement with China and was not made public until Kissinger's return.

"I have to confess I was . . . outraged," Kissinger said.

He added that the document was taken from a classified "burn bag" by the clerk, Yeoman First Class Charles E. Radford, who accompanied Kissinger on the Asian trip.

The Yeoman has said he took literally "hundreds" of documents for more than a year, beginning in the fall of 1970, and forwarded them to the office of Admiral Tho-

mas H. Moorer, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

The Armed Services Committee, which will hear testimony today from Radford, also released yesterday a censored transcript of Moorer's testimony two weeks ago.

In it, the admiral said he discussed the military spying allegations in late 1971 with John D. Ehrlichman, then President Nixon's chief domestic adviser, and John N. Mitchell, then attorney general.

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