

Soviets Want Nixon To Visit as Planned

MOSCOW, April 11 (UPI)—The Soviet Union affirmed today that it wants President Nixon to visit here this summer, even though U.S. Sen. James L. Buckley (R., N.Y.) thinks he should not.

Buckley called on Nixon Tuesday to cancel the visit while impeachment proceedings are under way. He said the Soviets had hardened their stand in strategic arms negotiations because of Nixon's troubles at home.

Not so, the official Tass news agency said in a commentary today. It said the strategic arms question is intricate and "it would be a mistake to think that a full agreement on this issue can be achieved at one go." But Tass said the problem could be solved provided both sides show goodwill.

"Isn't this the real cause of the pessimism expressed by Senator Buckley and his ilk?" Tass asked.

Nixon has tentatively scheduled his second visit to the Soviet Union for late June.