

Those Colby Feared For

Washington

The chairman of the Senate Intelligence Committee said yesterday that CIA Director William E. Colby's contention that the panel has endangered the lives of agents named in its report is "absurd."

Senator Frank Church (Dem-Idaho) read to reporters the ten names Colby wanted deleted.

The names Church read included one individual who held a news conference to describe his role in an assassination plot, two alleged Mafia figures, a former diplomat who had described his activities in a letter to the Washington Post and a former agent whose role in Vietnam was disclosed in the Pentagon Papers.

Colby called a rare news conference Wednesday and said publication of the names would leave the individuals and their families open to retaliation by what he called "irrational groups."

At a news briefing yesterday, after copies of the report were given to reporters, Church read the names and emphasized that all members of the committee, Democrats and Republicans, had voted to include them.

The names he read were:

- Henry Dearborn, U.S. Consul in the Dominican Republic at the time of the assassination of General Rafael Trujillo. Dearborn was the U.S. contact with dissident groups plotting to overthrow the Dominican dictator. Years later, he described his role in an interview published in the Washington Post.

- Robert Maheu, former aide to billionaire Howard Hughes, who acted as CIA contact with organized crime figures whose help was sought in a plot to assassinate Fidel Castro. Maheu testified before the intelligence

committee last summer and then met with reporters and gave a detailed account of his role in the alleged assassination plot.

- John Rosselli and Santos Trafficante, both alleged Mafia figures, recruited to assist in the anti-Castro plot.

- Lucien Conein, a former U.S. official in Saigon, who was the CIA contact with dissident military officers who were plotting the overthrow in 1963 of then South Vietnamese President Ngo Dinh Diem. In the course of the coup that toppled them from power, Diem and his brother, Ngo Dinh Nhu, were assassinated. Church said that Conein's role was described fully in the Pentagon Papers study which was made public in 1971.

- Two Chilean military officers, General Roberto Viaux and General Camilo Valenzuela, who were involved in a CIA-supported plot to kidnap General Rene Schneider in 1970 after Schneider refused to cooperate in an attempt to prevent Salvador Allende from assuming office as elected president of Chile. Church noted that both Viaux and Valenzuela had been punished by Chilean authorities and that the present regime in that country is sympathetic to their aims.

- Three CIA officials whose roles, according to Church, were well known. They are Bronson Tweedy, who was chief of the Africa Division of the CIA's clandestine services at the time of the death of Patrice Lumumba; William Harvey, head of the CIA's anti-Castro effort, and Colonel J.C. King, former chief of Western Hemisphere operations in the clandestine services branch. Harvey's name has appeared in numerous newspaper and magazine articles describing his role in anti-Castro plots.

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