

HOUSE UNIT VOTES TO AIR SPY DATA

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Panel's Decision to Publish Report on Secret Projects Assailed by Ford Aide NYTimes

WASHINGTON, Jan. 21 (AP) — The House Intelligence committee voted today to publish secret information on United States intelligence operations in its final report. A spokesman for President Ford suggested that the committee was breaking an agreement that Mr. Ford would have to approve such disclosures.

The report says intelligence agencies spend \$10 billion a year on operations abroad, according to the sources.

The committee rejected 8 to 4 a motion to strike the classified information out of a 340-page draft of the committee's final report.

At the White House, press secretary Ron Neesen said, "Under the agreement the President should have had a chance to review the classified material in the report before it was leaked to the public. The President views with most serious concern the leak of the alleged contents of the report."

But committee members, including its chairman, Otis Pike, Democrat of New York, took the position that no agreement with Mr. Ford could dictate what the committee disclosed in its official report to the House.

Beyond that, Representative Les Aspin, Democrat of Wisconsin, contended that it would "be a terrible, terrible precedent" for the committee not to insist that Congress has as much right as the President to decide what information should be public.

The draft report includes details on a number of secret operations—including information on Italian political funding and aid to groups in Angola that Mr. Ford had tried to keep secret.

The agreement was that the committee could publicly disclose secrets under an agreed procedure but would not disclose any that Mr. Ford had personally declared would hurt national security if made public.

The only way the committee could override such a declaration and release information, it agreed, would be to go to court for a ruling that it could do so.

Meanwhile, The chairman and vice chairman of the Senate Intelligence Committee split openly today over the issue of creating a new Congressional panel to oversee the operations of the C.I.A. and other intelligence agencies.

In testimony before the Senate Government Operations committee, Senator Frank Church, Democrat of Idaho, committee chairman, called for creation of a Senate committee that would have funding and investigation powers over the intelligence activities of such agencies as the The agency, The Federal Bureau of Investigation, The National Security Agency and the Defense Intelligence Agency.

The committee's vice chairman, John Tower, Republican of Texas, proposed a new oversight panel but added that only one or two other members of the intelligence committee shared his view.

Mr. Church's call for a new committee was endorsed by the Senate majority leader, Mike Mansfield, Democrat of Montana, who called past Congressional oversight "inexcusably lax" and added that he would make passage of legislation creating an oversight committee a top priority of the current session of Congress.

Mr. Mansfield noted that he had first introduced legislation to oversee the C.I.A. nearly 20 years ago but that it had been opposed by then the agency's director, Allen Dulles. The agency defeated his attempt because it "had the heirarchs in their pocket," Mr. Mansfield said.

Senator Howard Baker Jr., Republican of Tennessee, another member of the intelligence committee, endorsed creation of a new panel but Mr. Baker objected to two provisions in the legislation outlined by Mr. Church. One would provide the oversight committee with prior notification of covert operations. The other would reserve for the Senate the right to declassify Administration secrets.