Jackson Questions Secret Promises

Albuquerque, N.M.

Senator Henry Jackson demanded yesterday that Secretary of State Henry Kissinger reveal any secret American promises to the South Vietnamese government.

I think we may want to get him up on the Hill and put him under oath and ask him, 'What commitments?'" the Washington Democrat said at a news conference.

"Before Secretary Kissinger talks more about commitments in South Vietnam, he should come forth and make a complete disclosure of commitments that he may have made without notifying the Congress."

Kissinger had said Friday the United States has a moral, rather than a legal, obligation to help South Vietnam.

Jackson, who is seeking the Democratic party's 1976 presidential nomination, was in Albuquerque for a \$250a-plate fund-raising luncheon.

Demanding full disclosure

of any secret Vietnam commitments, Jackson said, "The record has not been good on Secretary Kissinger's part."

The senator said that during the 1972 arms limitation talks with the Soviet Union, Kissinger, then national security assistant for former President Nixon, "withheld documents that were very much relevant to the negotiations and the agreements that were reached with the Russians."

The documents were not disclosed, Jackson said, until Kissinger was brought before Congress and examined under oath.

Jackson said he has not recanted his previous support of South Vietnam.

He said he backed reduced transition support for South Vietnam because "I just felt the \$300 million (cut from the administration request) would be wasted. You could give them \$10 billion and they would dispose of it."

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