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'ITT Chile Role Verified By McCone'

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Business Week magazine says former CIA Director John A. McCone has confirmed that executives of International Telephone & Telegraph Corp. had discussions with U.S. government officials in 1970 over possible moves against Chilean president Salvador Allende.

The magazine said McCone, a member of the ITT board of directors since 1966, revealed that he was consulted on the Allende matter and that the company told the U. S. government, "If you have a plan, we'll help with it."

The article did not specify whether ITT or the government made the initial approach, nor did it say from what quarter the repression suggestions originated.

The magazine said that McCone did not disavow the authenticity of alleged ITT internal memos published March 21 by columnist Jack Anderson which implicated ITT in a scheme to block Allende's taking office.

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