

Fulbright Assails Reports Of Submarine Base on Cuba

WASHINGTON, Oct. 4 (UPI) —Senator J. W. Fulbright, chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, charged today that the Administration was "hoodwinking the American people" by warning of possible construction of a Soviet submarine base in Cuba. He also said there was "little doubt" that the United States maintains nuclear weapons at sites bordering the Soviet Union.

The Arkansas Democrat said in an interview, that Defense Department officials who briefed his senate committee last week not only had no evidence that a submarine base was under construction, but did not even try to convince the committee that it was.

He said the department's public disclosure of intelligence data showing some sort of construction activity at Cienfuegos, on Cuba's southern coast, was designed to "alarm" Americans to spur Congress to approve generous appropriations for the Pentagon.