STERNIS OFFERS WAR CURB ON PRESIDENT

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Washington, May 11 - [Senator Thomas F. Eagleton, Democrat of Missouri] told the panel [Senate Foreign Relations Committee?] that during an inspection trip to Vietnam last month, he had been informed by top American commanders that they were operating on the planning assumption that a "residual force" would remain in Vietnam for "an indefinite period" and that American air power would be maintained "for an even more protracted period."