

# Nixon Security Memo Reported

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President Nixon, in addition to the "mild bureaucratic rebuke" implied in his shifting of intelligence powers, has sharply criticized the United States intelligence community in a secret "decision memorandum," Newsweek Magazine reported yesterday.

"His major complaints are faulty intelligence, run-away budgets and a disparity be-

tween a glut of facts and a poverty of analysis," Newsweek said.

Nixon recently gave CIA Director Richard Helms authority over all intelligence agencies and gave foreign policy advisor Henry Kissinger power to evaluate intelligence reports.

"Outwardly, these maneuvers might appear to be a mild bureaucratic rebuke to the intelligence community,"

Newsweek said. "Their real punch was delivered in a supersecret presidential 'decision memorandum.'"

Newsweek said Nixon singled out five intelligence failures in the memorandum:

- Failure to predict the extent of North Vietnamese resistance in the Laotian campaign early this year.

- Misinformation leading to the commando raid on the Son Tay prisoner of war camp which turned out to be empty.

- Incorrect estimates of Viet Cong supplies flowing through the Cambodian port of Sinanoukville.

- Lateness in detecting Russian - built surface - to -

air missiles in the Mideast cease - fire zone.

- An eight - month delay in the Strategic Arms Limitation Talks while the White House checked varying intelligence reports on how well the United States could detect possible Soviet violations of the arms control agreement.

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