Congressmen Sue To Halt Bombing

Boston

Four Massachusetts
Democratic Congressmen
joined in a suit filed yesterday in U.S. District
Court seeking to end
American bombing in
Cambodia as unlawful.

The four are Representatives Robert F. Drinan, Michael J. Harrington, John J. Moakley and Gerry E. Studds.

Drinan, former dean of the Boston College Law School, said, "Whatever authority there may have been for military action in Indochina expired with the release of prisoners and the withdrawal of all forces and the signing of the Paris accords."

He said the basis for the suit includes assertions President Nixon is usurping congressional powers by "fighting a war in Cambodia without congressional authorization."

Drinan said the suit also contends the bombing action violates the Mansfield amendment, which contends U.S. policy is termination of military involvement in Indochina, and the Fulbright proviso to appropriation bills which requires that no funds be spent for military activity in Cambodia and Laos.

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