

Nixon Warns Congress on Bomb Cutoff

Washington

President Nixon, reaffirming that bombing in Cambodia will be stopped August 15, warned yesterday that the cut-off imposed by Congress could have "dangerous potential consequences" in Asia.

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In congressional quarters, Mr. Nixon's letter - addressed to Speaker of the House Carl Albert and Senate Majority leader Mike Mansfield - was widely interpreted as an attempt to shift onto Congress the blame and the responsibility if Cambodia should fall to the Communists after the bombing halt.

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Among the "dangerous potential consequences" of the congressional action, the President cited the difficulty of obtaining a cease-fire in Cambodia now that American bombing support is coming to an end.

"We have had every confidence of being able to achieve" a cease-fire in Cambodia, he said. "With the passage of the congressional act," he continued, "the incentive to negotiate a settlement in Cambodia has been undermined, and August 15 will accelerate this process."