

Fresh Leaks On Pentagon Papers--US

LOS ANGELES — (AP) — The U.S. government says Dr. Daniel Ellsberg or his associates leaked new material from portions of the Pentagon Papers given to them by a federal court for Ellsberg's defense.

In a petition filed yesterday, U.S. District Court Judge William M. Byrne Jr. was asked to conduct a hearing to find the source of what the government said were fresh leaks used by Washington columnist Jack Anderson.

Assistant U.S. Attorney David R. Nissen filed the document, but said he was under instructions not to talk about it.

The petition said the material appeared in columns by Anderson between June 9 and June 18 and came from the Pentagon Papers' last four volumes.

Ellsberg previously lacked access to the information, which deals with peace negotiations from 1965 through 1968, the government said, until Byrne allowed the Ellsberg defense to look at the volumes.

Anderson's columns "quoted and disclosed por-

tions" of the four volumes without identifying the Pentagon Papers as the source, the petition said. And the defense was under orders

from Byrne not to disclose the contents.

Nissen said the circumstances raised "a high likelihood, if not a certainty, that

the source of the volumes in question was the defense in this case."