

SENATOR M'CARTHY ASKS C.I.A. INQUIRY

WASHINGTON, Jan. 20 (AP) —Senator Eugene J. McCarthy called today for an investigation of the activities of the Central Intelligence Agency.

The Minnesota Democrat said in an interview that unless the Senate Foreign Relations Committee undertook such a study on its own he would seek a showdown vote in the committee on a formal resolution proposing such an inquiry.

Senator McCarthy said he would introduce a Senate resolution next week proposing "a full and complete inquiry" by the committee with respect to the effects of operations of the C.I.A. "on the foreign policy of the United States."

He added that to give the Senate a choice this resolution would be followed by another calling for an inquiry by a blue-ribbon committee made up of Senators from Foreign Relations and other standing committees.

The Foreign Relations Committee, as well as the Senate, is divided over the advisability of investigating the activities of the ultra-secret agency. The committee, Senator McCarthy said, has discussed a study, but had made no decision.