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2 Senators Attack New Kissinger Role In Intelligence Net

WASHINGTON, Nov. 10 (UPI)—Senators Stuart Symington and J. W. Fulbright said today that President Nixon had reshaped the nation's intelligence network to vest more control in the hands of Henry A. Kissinger, his adviser for national security affairs, without obtaining Congressional advice.

The White House announced last Friday that intelligence activities were being reorganized to improve their "efficiency and effectiveness."

Richard Helms, Director of Central Intelligence, was given control over all intelligence activities while Mr. Kissinger was placed in charge of a subcommittee of the National Security Council to review intelligence operations.

Senator Symington, Democrat of Missouri, called in a Senate speech for a full review of the changes by the Senate Armed Services Committee. He charged that critical aspects of intelligence analysis had been taken out of the hands of career professionals and turned over to the military and the White House staff.

Senator Fulbright, asked by a reporter for comment, said the reorganization was "a further erosion of Congressional control over the intelligence community." The Arkansas Democrat noted that Mr. Kissinger, in his position as a White House adviser, was insulated from Congressional scrutiny.

Mr. Symington said the reorganization might turn out to be "a constructive move." But he said it was impossible for Congress or the public to know since the White House announcement had not given an explanation of what had caused the shake-up or of the remedies "which have now been unilaterally decreed."

He said the White House apparently "does not consider either the organization, or the operation, of the intelligence community to be matters of concern to the Congress."

"To my knowledge there was no advance consultation whatsoever with the Congress regarding this reorganization, or even any advance notice of what had been decided," he declared.

Panel's Role Questioned

Senator Symington asked how Mr. Helms's leadership role would be "enhanced," as the White House said it would be, "by the creation of a new and obviously more powerful supervisory committee chaired by the adviser to the President for national security affairs, on which new board not only sits the Attorney General but also the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff."

"Has this new White House committee been given authority or and responsibility which heretofore was the responsibility of the C.I.A., and which the Congress, under the National Security Act, vested in the agency?" Mr. Symington asked.

"How can the integrity of the intelligence product be assured when responsibility for the most critical aspects of intelligence analysis is taken out of the hands of career professionals and vested in a combination of military professionals and the White House staff?" he said.