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Foreign Policy Report Faults Controls on CIA

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A presidential-congressional commission studying U.S. foreign policy says in a draft report there is inadequate control over covert operations launched by the Central Intelligence Agency against foreign countries.

In recent years, the procedures for approving covert operations "have become quite informal" and at times the

President has ordered the normal review process bypassed altogether, a draft of the Murphy Commission report says.

The current process for approval of covert actions involves the submission of proposals to the so-called "40 Committee" headed by Henry A. Kissinger in his post as the President's national security adviser.

The draft report says that because of Kissinger's other duties as secretary of state, the 40 Committee "has rarely met" and consultation is frequently done over the telephone.

Dr. Francis O. Wilcox, commission executive director, acknowledged the existence of the draft report but said "it has been changed and probably will be changed again" by commission members who include Vice President Rockefeller.

The draft version recommends that the President's national security adviser be prevented from holding any other Cabinet position. It also recommends that all covert activities be made known to Congress but says the President should not have to give his personal endorsement of such operations in order to avoid harmful effects.

Headed by retired Ambassador Robert Murphy of New York, the 12-member Commission for Reorganization of the Government's Foreign Policy was created in 1972 by President Nixon and Congress. The commission is scheduled to issue its report June 30.