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Kleindienst Modifies Suggestion Congress Investigate the F.B.I.

WASHINGTON, April 8 (UPI) —Richard G. Kleindienst, the Deputy Attorney General, said today that he never intended to suggest that Congress undertake a full-scale investigation into the operations of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

He said he had intended to say he would welcome an investigation into the specific charge by Representative Hale Boggs, Democrat of Louisiana, that the F.B.I. tapped Congressmen's telephones.

Meanwhile, Speaker Carl Albert, Democrat of Oklahoma, said he could not agree with demands by Mr. Boggs, the House Democratic leader, that J. Edgar Hoover resign as F.B.I. director.

But Mr. Albert said he had discussed the possibility of a House investigation into Mr. Boggs's charge that F.B.I. agents had kept Congressmen under surveillance and tapped their telephones—charges denied by the White House, Attorney General John N. Mitchell and the F.B.I.

At a news conference, Mr. Albert was asked if he thought

Mr. Hoover should resign. He replied: "Not on the basis of what I know now."

However, he said he had discussed with Representative Emanuel Celler, Democrat of Brooklyn, the possibility of an investigation by Mr. Celler's Judiciary Committee into the charges. Representative Bella Abzug, Democrat of Manhattan, introduced a bill yesterday calling for such an investigation, including an inquiry into the 76-year-old Mr. Hoover's fitness to remain as F.B.I. director.

In an interview today, Mr. Kleindienst did not deny that he said yesterday, on a Columbia Broadcasting System television interview, that the Administration would welcome a Congressional investigation into "the whole operation of the F.B.I."

But, he explained, "I intended to say that we would welcome an investigation by responsible members of Congress into Boggs's specific charges. That's all I intended to say."