

A Soviet Denial

Washington

The Soviet embassy denied yesterday it had been given copies of the Pentagon papers in June, 1971.

The alleged leak, according to former White House aide Egil Krogh, was partly the reason the administration set up a special investigative unit which broke into the office of Daniel Ellsberg's psychiatrist.

The Washington Post quoted sources as saying an unidentified man, using an

alias, had handed the Soviet embassy a complete set of the top-secret papers. An embassy spokesman called this "a fabrication."

"The embassy categorically denies these allegations as absolutely groundless," the statement said.

Krogh swore in an affidavit to U.S. District Judge Matt Byrne of Los Angeles, who conducted the trial of Ellsberg, that he was told by the FBI that the Soviets had the papers. *United Press*

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