

Dean Probed In Parole of Crime Figure



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ANGELO DeCARLO
Extortion term

Washington

A Senate committee is investigating whether then-Attorney General Richard G. Kleindienst and fired White House Counsel John W. Dean bypassed "normal procedures and safeguards" in handling the parole of an organized-crime figure.

"Something smells and I want to know what," Senator Henry M. Jackson (Dem-Wash.), chairman of the Senate Permanent Investigations Committee, said in releasing a letter to Attorney General Elliot L. Richardson.

Jackson asked for all Justice Department records relating to the presidential commutation granted Angelo (Gyp) DeCarlo last December. DeCarlo, described by Jackson as a high-ranking Mafia figure, was released after serving two years of a 12-year sentence for extortion.

At the time Mr. Nixon commuted DeCarlo's sentence, there were reports DeCarlo had terminal cancer but Howard J. Feldman, chief counsel to the committee, said, "we have word that he resumed his activities."

Richardson said last night he has discussed the case with Kleindienst and concluded that normal commutation procedures were followed.

Jackson said questions into DeCarlo's case arose

during the committee's investigation into the use and manipulation of stolen securities.

Jackson said he also has asked the Justice Department for information on the disappearance of Anthony L. DiLorenzo, serving a 10-year sentence for transporting stolen securities, was transferred from Lewisburg, Pa., to a federal detention house in New York where he was given the right to leave prison unescorted, Jackson said.

"Late last year, on one of these unescorted furloughs to purportedly visit his dentist, he disappeared," Jackson said.

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