

## Request to Lay Off Agnew

Baltimore

U.S. Attorney George Beall said yesterday he has asked two Maryland state prosecutors to put off any investigation of former vice president Spiro T. Agnew until the federal investigation of state political corruption is completed.

Beall said that dual investigations could lead "to confusion and generally inhibit our work.

"State and federal prosecutors would find themselves competing for the same material and witnesses," Beall said.

Beall, who headed the federal probe that led to Agnew's resignation last week, said he made the request to the state's attorneys this week.

The two prosecutors are from Baltimore and Anne Arundel counties, the jurisdictions where Agnew lived when Baltimore county executive and later Maryland governor.

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