

Kennedy Won't Seek Shift To Foreign Relations Panel

WASHINGTON, Nov. 17, (Reuters)—Senator Edward M. Kennedy said Tuesday that he would not seek a seat on the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, a post often regarded as a good springboard for Presidential contenders.

The Kennedy move virtually insured that Senator Edmund S. Muskie of Maine would fill one of the two Democratic vacancies on the committee in the new Congress opening in January.

Mr. Kennedy, who has often said he is not seeking the 1972 Presidential nomination, said he would stick with his present assignments to the Judiciary and Labor and Public Welfare committees as well as the select Committee on Nutrition and Human Needs and the Special Committee on Aging.