

Pentagon Expose Could Have Sunk China Plans, Paper Says

DETROIT — (AP) — The News said in today's edition, Detroit News said yesterday the government's top lawyer a reason the federal government believes they also saved went to court in the to the lives of several Ameri- stop publication of the secret. Can't decided on some grave Pentagon papers was a heavy security trucks and preserved that certain disclosure in machinery of some of to- might wreck the secret plan, says a most delicate and sen- ning then under way, and forced peace moves of many President Nixon's principal countries of the East and ed trip to Communist West China."

The News said while the "In going to court," the government lost in the Su-

preme Court, it feels it won more than it lost by at least temporarily halting publica- tion of the papers.

Besides the two week delay in resumption of publication of the study, the News said government officials also de- termined that items consid- ered "ultra supersensitive stuff" would not surface.

... now in the Supreme Court's vault, is a single-

space typewritten list of '10 items' contained in the 47- volume Pentagon study," The News said. "The gov- ernment contends these items would cause 'grave in- ternational harm' if disclosed at any time."

An unnamed government source is quoted as saying that neither the Times nor the Post has "surfaced any of the ultrasensitive stuff on the 10-item list" after resum- ing publication of the papers.

The News also quoted un- named American officials as saying disclosure of some spy activities carried out by the U. S. would have forced the spied-upon countries to respond publicly in "a most bellicose fashion," thus un- dercutting "current U. S. ef- forts to improve relations with these countries."

"One can assume," the News said, "that among initi- atives that would have been jeopardized, if not destroyed, is Mr. Nixon's scheduled trip to mainland China."

The two-week injunctive period, the News said, gave the Central Intelligence Agency time "to extract" key agents from "dangerous assignments abroad in which they almost certainly would have been killed..."