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∓EDS: UPDATES WITH BARNES INTRODUCING BILL AND O'NEILL REACTION

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WASHINGTON (AP) - THE CHAIRMAN OF A HOUSE FOREIGN AFFAIRS SUBCOMMITTEE INTRODUCED A BILL TODAY TO PREVENT THE REAGAN ADMINISTRATION FROM AIDING ANY CLANDESTINE OPERATION AGAINST THE SANDINISTA REGIME IN NICARAGUA.

REP. MICHAEL BARNES SAID THE LEGISLATION IS AIMED AT BLOCKING ANOTHER EPISODE LIKE THE DISASTROUS ''BAY OF PIGS'' INVASION EFFORT IN WHICH U.S.-TRAINED CUBAN EXILES TRIED TO OVERTHROW CUBAN PRESIDENT FIDEL CASTRO IN 1961.

THE MARYLAND DEMOCRAT'S BILL ADDS TO THE MOMENTUM OF A MOVEMENT IN CONGRESS TO ASSERT MORE CONTROL OVER ADMINISTRATION CONDUCT IN CENTRAL AMERICA. SENS. PAUL TSONGAS, D-MASS., AND CHRISTOPHER DODD, D-CONN., PROPOSED LEGISLATION FRIDAY TO REQUIRE PRIOR CONGRESSIONAL APPROVAL FOR MILITARY ACTION AND COVERT INTELLIGENCE OPERATIONS IN THE REGION. BUT HOUSE SPEAKER THOMAS P. O'NEILL, D-MASS., SAID TODAY HE WILL OPPOSE ANY ATTEMPT TO ASSERT MORE CONTROL OVER THE ADMINISTRATION'S ACTIONS IN THE TROUBLED REGION.

''I WOULDN'T RECOMMEND THAT,'' O'NEILL SAID OF BARNES' BILL. ''I DON'T THINK WE HAVE TO AIR IN PUBLIC WHAT THE CIA IS DOING. IT'S A DANGEROUS THING WHEN YOU START BRINGING THINGS LIKE THIS OUT IN THE OPEN.''

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