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# Helms accused of lying to Senate

Washington (NYT)—The staff of a Senate Foreign Relations subcommittee has recommended that contempt of Congress charges be placed against Richard M. Helms, former director of the Central Intelligence Agency, and three retired Nixon administration officials because of their allegedly misleading Senate testimony on Chile last year, highly reliable congressional sources said yesterday.

They said that, besides Mr. Helms, a report by the subcommittee staff cited Charles A. Meyer, former assistant secretary of state for inter-American affairs; Edwin M. Korry, ambassador to Chile from 197 to 1971, and William C. Broe, former director of clandestine activities for the CIA in Latin America.

Mr. Helms, Mr. Meyer and John M. Hennessy, former assistant secretary of the treasury for international affairs, the report said, might have committed perjury in their testimony before the subcommittee on multinational corporations in the spring of 1973.

None of the men named in the subcommittee report could

be immediately reached for comment.

The staff report, written by Jerome I. Levinson, chief counsel of the subcommittee, was prepared last week at the request of Senator Frank Church (D., Idaho), chairman of the subcommittee.

Details of Mr. Levinson's report, which was distributed to subcommittee members over the weekend, were provided by a senator's office.

At issue is the discrepancy between the testimony presented to the subcommittee last year about the clandestine role of the CIA in Chile and recent news reports indicating that the agency had been authorized to spend more than \$8 million from 1970 to 1973 in a covert

attempt to make it impossible for the Chilean president, Salvador Allende Gossens, to govern.

In addition, sources said, the subcommittee staff report cited Mr. Hennessy's sworn testimony that the Nixon administration's economic sanctions against Chile were based exclusively on its lower credit rating after Dr. Allende's election.

It was reported Sunday that Henry A. Kissinger, as President Nixon's adviser for national security affairs, had personally headed an interagency panel that decided shortly after Dr. Allende's election in 1970 to attempt to cut off all economic aid and international credits.

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