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KISSINGER MAY HAVE COMMITTED PERJURY ABOUT CHILEAN SITUATION

ANNOUNCER: Well, with a little more information on what we've been doing in Chile, the Central Intelligence Agency under the personal direction of Dr. Henry Kissinger channeled between eight million and twelve million dollars into Chile between 1970 and the death of Salvador Allende three years later.

The secret CIA activity was spelled out during closed door hearings in Congress last April 22nd by the Agency's Director, William Colby. A Congressional letter summarizing Colby's testimony was leaked to both the New York Times and the Washington Post. The newspapers report that all secret CIA appropriations were authorized by the Forty Committee, a high-level intelligence review committee then chaired by Kissinger.

According to Colby's testimony, the money was used in Chile to support Allende opponents, to purchase radio stations and newspapers to attack Allende, and even to bribe Chilean senators to vote against the Allende government. Colby's testimony indicates that Kissinger may have committed perjury when he testified on the Chilean situation before the Senate Foreign Relations Committee last fall, shortly after Allende was killed.

Kissinger stated at that time the CIA had nothing to do with the coup to the best of my knowledge and belief. However, according to Colby, the CIA at the time of the coup was in the process of channeling a new appropriation of one million dollars which had been authorized by Kissinger's Forty Committee about one month before Allende's death.

Congressman Michael Harrington, Democratic liberal and long-time CIA critic, called for public hearings in Congress on the CIA's role in Chilean politics. Said Harrington, Kissinger and Colby should testify, but he added Congress is hesitating because of fear they'll run into Kissinger.

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