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## St. George, Wharton Back Latin Aid Bill

WASHINGTON (GNS) — Reps. Katharine St. George (R) of Tuxedo Park and J. Ernest Wharton (R) of Richmondville were among the 330 to 82 majority which approved the \$600 million Latin American Aid Bill Tuesday.

In another development at Washington, Mrs. St. George issued a statement in which she said she believed investigation of the U. S. intelligence operation, as a result of the Cuban invasion, should be left to President Kennedy. She disagreed with a recommendation of Sen. Kenneth B. Keating (R) of Rochester that Congress should investigate.

"Congress is so slow and sloppy," she commented.

As to her vote in favor of the aid bill, Mrs. St. George said:

"I think that Latin America is going to doublecross us like no other ever have done, but there wasn't much else we could do," declared Mrs. St. George. "We were committed to this. The former administration had pledged \$500 million and given another \$100 million to Chile for flood relief."

Wharton added: "This came up at a time when we are all concerned about South America."

As to the investigation of the U. S. Counter Intelligence Agency

(CIA) and related matters, Mrs. St. George said she has great confidence in retired Gen. Maxwell Taylor called back by President Kennedy to head a group looking into, among other things, the adequacy of the U. S. guerilla warfare setup.

But Mrs. St. George added "CIA must take a very big share of blame for what has happened."

Rep. Samuel S. Stratton (D) of Schenectady, a wartime naval intelligence officer, and Rep. J. Ernest Wharton (R) of Richmondville agreed there should be no congressional investigation.

Stratton, a member of the Armed Services Committee, said a public investigation might do more harm than good.

Wharton said he "seriously questions" the advisability of a congressional investigation "with the resultant publicity."