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Watchdog Praises The CIA

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WASHINGTON (AP) — Sen. Milton R. Young (R-N.D.) tells of a cloak and dagger type overseas rendezvous with top secret agents of the Central Intelligence Agency. He called their work outstanding.

"In fact," Young said in an interview before flying to Fargo, N.D., "I am inclined to think the job they are doing is superior to that done by the KGB, their Soviet opposite numbers, and KGB has twice the personnel."

Young went abroad as a representative of a special Senate watchdog committee which keeps an eye on espionage and other activities of the CIA, and of the Senate Appropriations Committee on which he also serves.

CIA work is so secret its budgets are largely hidden by Congress in appropriations for other agencies. Few Congress members know how much it receives or what it does with the money.

Because of this, Young said, the special watchdog committee — one of the few to which it reports — felt an in-the-field checkup on CIA would be timely.

Young said he had clandestine meetings with CIA agents in 14 of the 16 countries he visited on the five-week trip.