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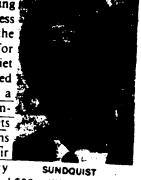


State Dragging Its Feet

Will Anti-KGB Measure Be Enforced?

Is the State Department wilfully ignoring Soviet abuse of the international civil service? That's the

question Rep. Don Sundquist (R.-Tenn.) is asking six months after Congress passed a law mandating the end of U.S. support for salary kickbacks by Soviet employees of the United Nations. According to a Senate Intelligence Committee report, the Soviets finance their spy operations from the paychecks of their U.N. employes. Salary



kickbacks pour an estimated \$20 million a year into KGB coffers. The Soviets require their nationals working at the United Nations to turn over U.N. paychecks and receive the lower pay of a Soviet employee. They hold the balance and use it to pay for KGB operations.

Last summer, Sundquist sponsored an amendment ordering the secretary of state to report to Congress on the extent of salary kickbacks by November 15. His amendment also requires the State Department to reduce the proportionate share of our assessed U.N. contribution on June 1, 1986, if progress hasn't been made in ending this practice. Rep. Sundquist's amendment was signed into law on August 16. The problem is, the State Department hasn't yet reported to Congress, raising questions about its willingness to implement the mandatory reduction in our U.N. contribution.