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Edward P. Boland, chairman of the House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, issued the following statement at 2:30 p.m., Tuesday, July 28, 1981:

"There have been a number of inaccurate press accounts in recent days concerning the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence. Most disturbing, however, has been the inference that the CIA might be engaged in an assassination attempt. This report - as well as suggestions that, as a result, the Committee has lost trust in the Director of Central Intelligence - are completely untrue. There is a clear and emphatic prohibition against assassination by U.S. intelligence agencies in Section 2-305 of Executive Order 12036, which reads as follows:

Sec. 2-305 Prohibition on Assassination. No person employed by or acting on behalf of the United States Government shall engage in, or conspire to engage in, assassination.

The White House issued a statement yesterday about this matter. That statement was clear and accurate."