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Pentagon Papers Questions

The Pentagon papers was largely about.

1. Secrets about the Cold War
2. Secrets about the USSR’s nuclear capabilities
3. Secrets about the Korean War
4. Secrets about the Vietnam War

POTUS when the papers were released

1. Johnson
2. Nixon
3. Kennedy
4. Reagan

The two newspapers that published the PP

1. Chicago Tribune and New York Times
2. Denver Times and the Washington Post
3. Washington Post and the New York Daily
4. Washington Post and the New York Times

Which portion of the Constitution did the Supreme Court interpret when deciding the case?

1. 4th Amendment
2. 10th Amendment
3. 3rd Amendment
4. 1st Amendment

What are some of the reasons the government wants to keep the public from knowing internal secret activity?

Why might the press try to puncture the walls of government secrecy?

Should the press have unfettered access to government secrets? Why or why not?

Would you publish the Pentagon Papers or Wikileaks materials? What would the backlash be against a news organization for publishing such materials?

What information, if any, should be off limits for members of the media to publish?