

Senate intelligence links CIA with books

Editor's note: This is the final story of a three-part series on the findings of the Senate Intelligence Committee's 15-month investigation. Today's focus is on use of the media, the church and proprietaries.

WASHINGTON (AP) — "Well over a thousand books" have been produced, subsidized or sponsored by the CIA, according to the Senate Intelligence Committee.

Although the books were intended for use as propaganda, a 1967 CIA document noted that "fallout in the United States from a foreign publication, which we support is inevitable and consequently permissible."

CIA records showed that agency-sponsored books about China were circulated in the United States first before being distributed abroad. "At least once, the book review for the agency book which appeared in *The New York Times* was written by a CIA writer," the report said. In another instance, a CIA book received unwitting praise from CBS commentator Eric Sevareid.

Similarly, news stories planted by the CIA in foreign publications for propaganda purposes sometimes turn up in U.S. newspapers and magazines, according to the committee. One former CIA official told the committee that "if you plant an article in Sunday's paper overseas...there is no way of guaranteeing that it is not going to be picked up and published by the Associated Press in this country."

Articles planted by the CIA in Chilean newspapers in 1970 were unwittingly carried by *The New York Times* and *Washington Post*, the report said. In another case, two news services secretly run by the CIA in Europe were subscribed to by more than 30 U.S. newspapers.

As recently as February, about 50 journalists and other persons working for American news or-

ganizations maintained a secret relationship with the CIA, the report said. About half of them "are paid relationships, ranging from salaried operators working under journalistic cover, to U.S. journalists serving as 'independent contractors' for the CIA and who are being paid regularly for their services, to those who receive only occasional gifts and reimbursements from the CIA."

Although the CIA has issued new guidelines ordering a halt to any covert relationships with journalists accredited to U.S. news organizations, the committee noted that the prohibition does not cover "unaccredited" Americans working for U.S. news organizations. "The CIA has informed the committee that of the approximately 50 CIA relationships with U.S. journalists or employees of U.S. media organizations, fewer than one-half will be terminated under the new guidelines," the report said.

USE OF THE CHURCH

"The number of American clergy or missionaries used by the CIA has been small," according to the report. "The CIA has informed the committee of a total of 14

covert arrangements which involved direct operational use of 21 individuals." In February the agency issued new guidelines which forced a halt to the CIA's use of churchmen, the committee said.

The committee said that the agency's use of American religious groups "both violates their nature and undermines their bonds with kindred groups around the world." The most damaging case cited by the committee involved "a U.S. priest serving the CIA as an informant on student and religious dissidence."

PROPRIETARIES

The CIA operates a number of business enterprises for the purpose of providing cover and logistical support for some of its covert operations. Since 1947, the 16 largest of these "proprietary" firms have earned \$50 million in profits.

Air America, the agency's largest proprietary, provided aircraft for CIA operations in Southeast Asia and at its peak had total assets of \$50 million and employed more than 8,000 people. According to the report, Air America is in the process of being

liquidated because it is no longer required.

Another agency proprietary is a complex of insurance companies with combined total assets of more than \$30 million which provide death and disability benefits to secret agents. The CIA also owns a number of non-operating proprietaries which only appear to do business, the report said.

The committee did not reveal how many CIA proprietaries currently exist but said the number has been reduced by 50 per cent since the peak years in the 1960s. The committee concluded that, "in general, these mechanisms have operated with a proper concern for legality, propriety and ethical standards."

Although the report did not reveal the exact size of the intelligence budget, it said the 1976 spending for CIA, DIA, NSA and various reconnaissance programs represents about four per cent of total controllable federal spending.

Government figures put controllable federal spending at \$105.2 billion. Four per cent of that figure equals \$4.2 billion. "I believe that the 183 separate

recommendations proposing new detailed statutes and reporting procedures not only exceed the number and scope of documented abuses, but represent over-reaction," committee vice-chair John Tower said.

Tower cited specific objections to recommendations placing stricter limits on the use of electronic surveillance and informants.

CIA Director George Bush told reporters after emerging from the closed committee session that "release of budget figures would not be fully protecting intelligence sources and methods."

Bush said he felt there had been a "spirit of cooperation" between the committee and the intelligence community throughout the investigation.

He said he believed the abuses which touched off the investigation had been taken care of by his predecessors in the CIA.

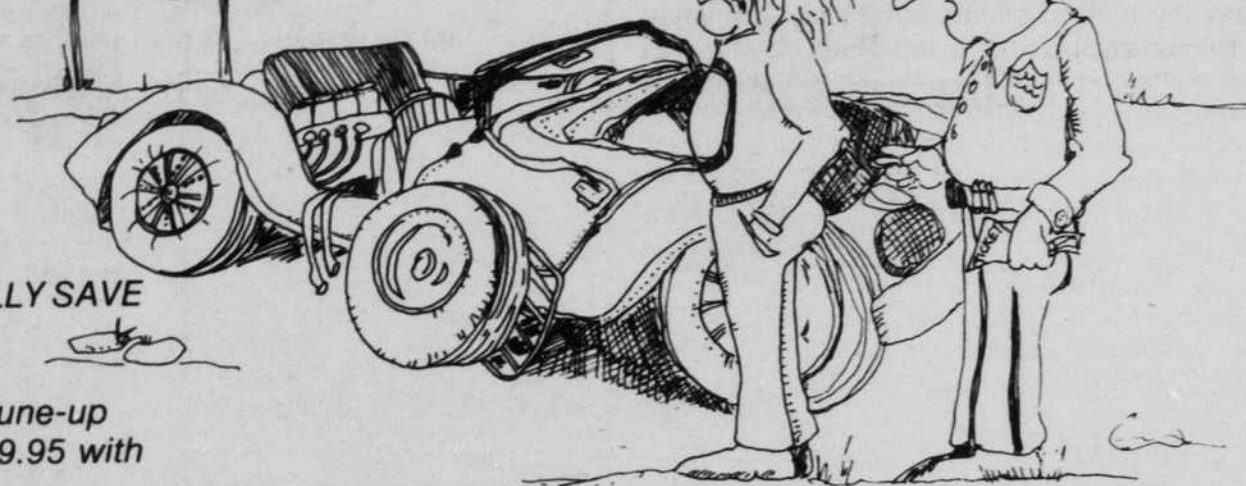
Asked if the report would include material he felt should remain secret, Bush said, "There are things we will not be happy with."

Bush added he intended to read the report "very carefully."

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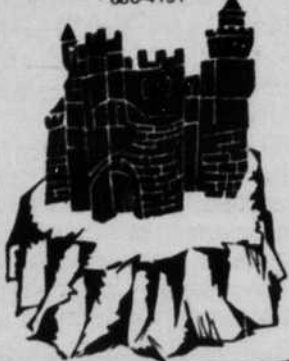
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