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Science of Spying

I never thought it would take television to stir me out of complacency, but NBC did just that on May 4 with its program *The Science of Spying*. I am shocked and dismayed at the revelations made (through interviews with two past CIA officials) about our espionage activities over the past 15 years, especially in Guatemala. It is difficult not to become emotional over every part of this program; what it all boiled down to, and what I was amazed to hear these men in power state with such calm, is simply that if we hope to win our struggle against communism, we must do what the Communists do, only better if we possibly can. My only real disappointment was the interviewer did not ask Mr. Allen Dulles if such a victory would be worth much, but that is beside the point.

My main feeling is one of disappointment, that *The Washington Post* has not published these facts. It is surely the function of a newspaper to inform the public; and if our Government is engaged in immoral actions the public should be made aware of it. If television can explore and report on the CIA, then a paper such as *The Post* should have done so long ago. You editorialize often on the need for an informed public—I resent not having been informed of this before.

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