Leftist French Paper Links 32 to CIA

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PARIS, Jan. 13—Liberation, an extreme leftist French newspaper, has published a list of 32 men and women it identifies as U.S. Central Intelligence Agency personnel working in Paris during 1975.

Eugen Burgstaller, listed as an attache in the U.S. embassy by the French foreign minister's diplomatic book, was named by Liberation as the CIA station chief here. The newspaper said the U.S. embassy in Paris is one of the largest CIA stations in the world.

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In Washington, State
Department spokesman
Robert Funseth called
identifying CIA agents
"contemptible" because it can
"excite lunatics and fanatics
to attack individual
diplomats." A spokesman for
the embassy in Paris referred
questions to CIA headquarters
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Besides Burgstaller, who was identified as CIA station chief last year by the satirical weekly Le Canard Enchaine, the only other person named by Liberation and listed by the French Foreign Ministry as a U.S. diplomat is John Berg, also an attache.

Other names include

Dominic Tacconelli, said by Liberation to be the paymaster for CIA missions here, and Michael Berger, a U.S. official who was at one time replaced in Uruguay by Philip Agee, the former CIA agent who has identified many of his former colleagues.

The Liberation report came less than a month after the CIA station chief in Athens, Richard Welch, was shot and killed after being identified in the Greek press.