

# CIA destroyed list of radicals

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WASHINGTON (AP) — The CIA has told the Justice Department that last year it destroyed lists of 9,000 to 10,000 American radicals whose names had been furnished to the agency by the department, according to a Ford administration official.

There was no indication why the agency would have destroyed the lists. However, the official, who declined to be identified, said late Thursday night that the Justice Department has been given to believe that the CIA's counterintelligence division maintained its own separate list of domestic dissidents.

According to the administration

source, the CIA also has told the Justice Department that it made no use of the names of radicals supplied by the department in 1970 as potential targets of surveillance on their trips abroad. The source said CIA told the department it had destroyed the list in March 1974.

Spokesmen for both CIA and the Justice Department declined to comment Friday.

In a related development, the Army announced it has found some intelligence information on political activities of American civilians in a microfilm library nearly four years after records were supposed to have been purged. Secretary of the Army Howard Callaway ordered the file secreted in a

counterintelligence analysis and research office, to be "rescreened on a priority basis for the purpose of eliminating all material on United States civilians not affiliated with the Department of Defense which is not retainable under current regulations."

Earlier, James T. Devine, formerly a member of the Justice Department's civil disturbance group, said that the names of 9,000 to 10,000 radicals were sent to the CIA in 1970. Devine, now with the department's Law Enforcement Assistance Administration, said he was reasonably sure that these were the same names referred to by The New York Times in published reports that the agency kept files on 10,000 American

citizens.

Former Asst. Atty. Gen. Jerris Leonard, who headed the civil disturbance group, said the names were supplied to the agency with a "request to advise the Justice Department ... of the specifics of any foreign travel" by the leaders of domestic disturbances. According to Leonard, the radicals were suspected of traveling abroad to receive training in civil disturbance techniques.

Leonard added that none of the reports subsequently received from the CIA indicated that the agency was involved in domestic surveillance activities. "If the CIA was doing something on the domestic side it was not getting to us," Leonard said.