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FORMER CIA CHIEF WILLIAM COLBY: EMBARRASSING MEMOIRS PRINTED ABROAD

CIA SNAFT when former CIA Director William Colby wrote his book of memoirs,

"Honorable Men," he submitted it for approval to his successor at the CIA, Adm. Stansfield Turner, and to Turner's public relations man, Herbert Hetu.

Turner and his associates suggested that Colby delete certain names and a detailed account of the unsuccessful Glomar Explorer intelligence operation, involving the raising of a sunken Russian submarine.

Colby agreed, and the deletions were made—at least in the American edition of the book. But not in the French edition, published by Presses de la Renaissance of Paris.

The French edition, for example, names the CIA chief of station in Saigon as Nick Natsios, a name Colby was compelled to omit.

The French edition also contains these words on the failure of the Glomar Explorer:

"The Soviet ship was cut in two and finally only the front third of the submarine could be raised to the surface, the other section having fallen back to the ocean bottom along with its guiding and transmission equipment, its codes, in other words everything the CIA had hoped to recover"

Embarrassing snafu for the CIA, allowing the French to publish what they deny the American public.

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