

# CIA Anti-War Infiltration Was a Flop

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Washington—The CIA infiltrated the U.S. anti-war movement in an effort to get its own men—many of them recruited by Soviet intelligence—a former deputy CIA director said yesterday.

Ray S. Cline said that the Central Intelligence Agency's double-agent gambit was fired because President Lyndon B. Johnson and Richard M. Nixon were "absolutely obsessed" with the belief that the Russians were manipulating the Vietnam protests. The CIA apparently never was able to establish a Russian connection within the U.S. dissident movement. The intelligence agency is now under investigation for its role in determining whether it broke the law by spying on Americans.

Cline was a CIA employee for 27 years and a deputy director from 1962 to 1966. He said that attempting to get agents recruited by the Soviets appeared at the time to be "a classical counter espionage operation." Now, he said, he considers it "an error in judgment."

If the penetration effort had worked, Cline said, the double agents "would have gone ahead to work for a Soviet agent, and then probably would have been sent back to the United States under an assumed name to do some work."

In a related development yesterday, an attorney for actress Jane Fonda said that the CIA was prepared to admit in U.S. District Court that it had recruited Fonda's mail arriving from abroad. In court papers filed six months ago, the CIA had denied it was involved in investigation of Fonda. Leonard Weinglass, her attorney, said Ed Christianburg, a Justice Department attorney in Washington, D.C., told him that the CIA would drop that denial. "This is the first time in a legal proceeding that the CIA has admitted taking action against an individual in the United States," Weinglass said FEB 10 1975.

In another revelation about domestic spying, testimony was released in which an FBI informant said that the Weatherman group considered plans in 1970 to kidnap and perhaps assassinate then Vice President Spiro T. Agnew. Defense Secretary Melvin Laird, Press Secretary Ron Ziegler and presidential adviser Henry Kissinger. (Laird Kissinger, 27, a Vietnam vet) said that he was recruited by the Weatherman in September 1969, and worked as an FBI informant from then until his exposure in April, 1970. Grathwohl had testified in a closed session before the Senate internal security subcommittee Oct. 13,