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FBI Report Sees Peril In 'New Left'

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The FBI yesterday reported growing security threats from Soviet and Communist Chinese espionage and from a mushrooming "New Left" movement on college campuses.

In an annual report, it added that "the question of foreign influences in the black nationalist movement is a matter of grave concern."

Of the hippies, disenchanted intellectuals, "overage" students and other elements supporting the New Left movement, the agency said some were "talking about sabotage, violence and the forcible destruction of certain facilities like Selective Service offices, communications and plumbing systems."

The New Left, it said, "has mushroomed into a major security problem." It blamed the Students for a Democratic Society (SDS)—"a forerunner in this nihilist movement"—for leading the New Left from passive dissent to active resistance in student uprisings at Columbia University and elsewhere.

At its national convention last June at Michigan State University, the FBI reported, the SDS held a workshop on sabotage and explosives, including a discussion of firing Molotov cocktails from shotguns and of other combustible materials and bombs.

The report said the Soviet bloc and China have increased their efforts to obtain information on U.S. defense planning and military and scientific research from intelligence agencies, Congress, the State and Defense Departments, technical organizations and anti-Communist groups.