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Names of 10,900 Are Listed By FCC as 'Subversives'

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WASHINGTON. — The Federal Communications Commission has a data bank "check list" of individuals and organizations believed to be dangerous or subversive just in case they apply for a radio or television license.

The FCC supplied this information to the Senate subcommittee on constitutional rights in response to a questionnaire. The subcommittee's chairman, Sen. Sam Ervin (D., N. C.) is conducting a widespread investigation of information uses by public and private agencies.

The FCC said it maintains a check list of 10,900 names in the form of a computer print-out which is circulated to the various bureaus within the commission.

CLOSE SCRUTINY

Ervin, in a little-noted portion of a speech last week in Atlantic City, said the list contains names and addresses of persons and groups "whose qualifications are believed to require close examination in the event they apply for a license."

Some of the names get on the list because of license suspensions, a bad check to the commission or an unlicensed operation.

'WITHHOLD LIST'

But the list also includes information from the FBI, the Justice Department, the Internal Revenue Service, the CIA and the House Internal Security Committee, the subcommittee learned.

Also fed into the data bank

are the FBI's "withhold list" of individuals and groups alleged to be subversive, and the Justice Department's "organized crime and racketeering list" of those who have been or are now the subject of investigations.

The agency said it has been getting Justice Department information since 1964 when Senate hearings disclosed that a reputed racketeering boss in New Orleans, Carlos Marcello, held an FCC license.



SEN. SAM ERVIN