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A CLASSIC CASE OF COMMUNIST DECEPTION

The Communists have resurrected an old trick in their propaganda campaign relative to the assassination of President Kennedy. It has worked before—and the Communists are hoping it will work again.

by Herbert A. Philbrick

THE current Communist propaganda campaign, launched immediately after the assassination of President Kennedy, is a classic example of red duplicity and deceit used as a weapon of political warfare. It's ancient, but evidently not obsolete; indeed, already a number of left-wing writers and commentators have picked up and repeated the Communist lie.

The idea: accuse others of the crimes of which you yourself are guilty.

Hence, the Communists and their supporters are seeking to exploit the murder of President Kennedy by hurling accusations in all directions, in a broad smear campaign calculated to tar everyone who is mildly against Communism and for freedom.

Some have ridiculed the idea that this was a cold and calculated move by the Communist International from the very beginning. "Why!" they exclaim in horror; "that's an awful thing to say! The Communists wouldn't do such a terrible thing!"

They wouldn't? My friends—you're just not thinking like a Communist. Let's look at it from the Communist point of view.

Let us remember, first, that about two years ago the Communist international — of which the Communist "party" in the United States is an integral part—warned that the growing anti-Communist movement in the United States was becoming

dangerous, and would, if it continued to grow, pose a real threat to ultimate victory by the Soviet empire. Hence, the Communist subversives were ordered by the Kremlin to destroy anti-Communist groups and individuals.

They began an all-out propaganda endeavor; character assassination, smear campaigns, slander and vilification; law suits and threats of law suits; abusive phone calls and letters; and harassment of every kind.

But the Communists did not succeed. Their propaganda attacks failed. All over the country, more and more people have become actively engaged in the fight for freedom; joining and sponsoring study groups, presenting films and tapes about the dangers of Communism, teaching about Communism in schools and churches; praising and boosting business firms supporting American liberties; opening freedom book stores; buying and presenting whole shelves of books about Communism to public libraries and schools . . . in a thousand ways, the forces of freedom have been growing.

Obviously, if the anti-Red and patriotic movements posed a threat to Communist world victory two years ago, the Communists have even greater cause for concern today.

Now let us suppose that some heinous crime is committed; a crime which will electrify, shock, revolt and horrify the entire world. Then let us pin

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