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NCLE CHARGES DEA-CIA SPY LINK

A list of 58 alleged "double agents" of the Central Intelligence Agency have been turned over to Congressional investigators with the charge the controversial spy agency is operating under the guise of "narcotics control" to circumvent a federal law prohibiting the use of American funds to train foreign police.

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The allegations were made by the Church of Scientology's National Commission on Law Enforcement and Social Justice (NCLE) which turned the list over to the Senate Select Committee investigating the CIA and the Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations which has been probing the scandal-ridden Drug Enforcement Administration.

According to Jeff Friedman, NCLE Chairman, the CIA had agents in the DEA to circumvent a restriction passed by the Congress last year which prohibited the use of American funds to train foreign police in any techniques other than drug enforcement. The legislation, introduced by Sen. James Abourezk (D-SD), closed the International Police Academy which Congressional sources charged was used by the CIA, to train overseas police and operatives in techniques to maintain their "foreign dictatorships."

The commission supplied the committees with information on some of 58 personnel which are stationed in 6 foreign countries and 10 U.S. cities which included alleged agents in Baltimore, Norfolk, New York, and Miami, among others.

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** A senior operative for the CIA who worked in Saigon as the liaison between U.S. and Viet forces which overthrew the Diem regime in 1963. He is presently one of the directors within the DEA's international intelligence division.

** An agent who works with "Group V", an intelligence network operated by Interpol, the private international police association, while coordinating DEA activity in Europe and the Middle East from his Paris office.

** An instructor at the DEA's secret International Drug Enforcement School who helped train 30 police officers from 10 South American countries, including two top Interpol officials from Peru and Brazil whose names were also supplied to the Congressional committees.

The DEA is already under fire by the Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations chaired by Sen Henry M. Jackson (D-Wash) which resulted in the resignation of U.S. DEA director John Bartels. Subcommittee sources have speculated the DEA may be disbanded as charges from the wholesale purchase of narcotics to the murder of informants have been levied against the agency.

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"Evidently," Friedman stated, "millions of dollars have been wasted. The DEA has only compounded the problem they were charged with handling. Now we find they have offered cover to the CIA at the same time. Disbanding the DEA would certainly be a step in the right direction."

The NCLE gained national attention by sparking the first Congressional investigation of Interpol after the results of a one-year study were given to Sen. Joseph Montoya (D=NM) who has indicated the probe of their domestic intelligence operations will continue.

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