

STUDENTS RESIST EVICTION BY C.I.A.

Group That Got Funds From
Agency Pays No Rent

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WASHINGTON, June 24—
Leaders of the National Student Association said today that they were resisting efforts by the Central Intelligence Agency to evict the association from its rent-free headquarters here.

The association, the country's largest college student organization, for the last two years has occupied a four-story building at 2115 S Street Northwest under a 15-year rent-free lease with the Independence Foundation of Boston.

The foundation has been identified as one of several that secretly channeled Central Intelligence Agency funds to the National Student Association from the early nineteen-fifties until last year.

Officers of the association disclosed the aid last February and announced that all ties with the Federal Agency had been ended.

Called Airtight Contract

The association president, W. Eugene Groves, said that lawyers for the association were negotiating with the C.I.A. over the agency's request that the building be vacated.

He said the association regarded the 15-year rent-free lease as a grant made to it under "an airtight legal contract."

"We are not about to give up an asset given to us two years ago," he remarked.

In the negotiations now under way, he reported, the association is exploring the possibility of ownership of the building being transferred either to itself or to some other entity—"open and free from any conceivable ties with the agency."

A C.I.A. spokesman said the agency had no comment on the matter.