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FOUNDATION 11-3

LOS ANGELES (UPI)--LEON JAWORSKI, THE NIXON ADMINISTRATION'S NEW SPECIAL WATERGATE PROSECUTOR, HAS BEEN LINKED WITH A HOUSTON-BASED FOUNDATION WHICH CHANNELED "HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS" OF CIA DOLLARS TO A NEW YORK LAW ORGANIZATION OVER THE PAST DECADE.

JOHN FREEMAN, ONE OF JAWORSKI'S HOUSTON LAW PARTNERS, TOLD AN INTERVIEWER FOR GOLDEN WEST BROADCASTERS HERE THIS WEEKEND THAT JAWORSKI HAS BEEN A TRUSTEE FOR 20 YEARS OF A FOUNDATION THROUGH WHICH THE CIA SECRETLY CHANNELED FUNDS SINCE THE LATE 1950S.

JAWORSKI, 67, PRESIDENT OF THE AMERICAN BAR ASSOCIATION IN 1970, WAS NAMED FRIDAY TO SUCCEED ARCHIBALD COX, WHO WAS FIRED BY PRESIDENT NIXON, AS SPECIAL PROSECUTOR IN THE WATERGATE INVESTIGATION.

FREEMAN, CONTACTED BY PHONE IN HOUSTON SATURDAY BY GWB NEWSMAN ART KEVIN, CONCEDED THAT THE CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY HAD SIPHONED "HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS" THROUGH THE M.D. ANDERSON FOUNDATION OF WHICH JAWORSKI IS A TRUSTEE.

FREEMAN TOLD THE RADIO REPORTER THAT JAWORSKI APPROVED THE SECRET FOUNDATION FUNDING OF THE AMERICAN FUND FOR FREE JURISTS INC., A NEW YORK ORGANIZATION DEDICATED TO GOVERNMENT THROUGH LAW.

JAWORSKI WAS NOT AVAILABLE FOR COMMENT SATURDAY.

FREEMAN, WHOSE INTERVIEW WAS AIRED HERE SATURDAY, SAID OF THE CONNECTION WITH THE CIA: "WE THOUGHT IT WAS IN THE BEST INTEREST OF THIS NATION ... THE WORLD AS A WHOLE ... SO WE DID WHAT WE WERE ASKED."

JAWORSKI'S COLLEAGUE SAID HE HAD BEEN INITIALLY CONTACTED BY AN AGENT FOR THE CIA IN 1966 OR 1967, AND THAT FROM THEN TO 1970 OR 1971 THE FUNDS WERE CHANNELED FROM ONE FOUNDATION TO OTHERS IN NEW YORK, BOSTON AND CHICAGO.

"I'M THE FALL GUY, IF THERE IS ONE," FREEMAN SAID.

HE ADDED THAT AT THE TIME HE WAS APPROACHED HE "HAD A FEELING THAT THE STATE DEPARTMENT WAS INVOLVED (IN THE TRANSACTION) TOO."

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SATURDAY 11/3 RADIO WIRE RE-WRITES UPI

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(LOS ANGELES) --- PRESIDENT NIXOON'S NEW SPECIAL WATERGATE PROSECUTOR, LEON JAWORSKI, HAS BEEN LINKED WITH A HOUSTON-BASED FOUNDATION THAT HAS CHANNELED "HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS" OF DOLLARS FROM THE C-I-A TO A NEW YORK LAW ORGAINIZATION. ONE OF JAWORSKI'S HOUSTON LAW PARTNERS TOLD A TELEPHONE INTERVIEWER IN LOS ANGELES THAT JAWORSKI HAS BEEN A TRUSTEE OF THE M.D. ANDERSON FOUNDATION FOR 20 YEARS.

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(FOUNDATION) A LAW PARTNER OF NEWLY APPOINTED SPECIAL WATERGATE PROSECUTOR LEON JAWORSKI (JAH-WOHR-SKEE) SAYS A FOUNDATION WITH WHICH THE HOUSTON ATTORNEY IS ASSOCIATED HAD TIES WITH THE CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE 437:5: AGENCY.

ATTORNEY JOHN FREEMAN SAYS THE HOUSTON-BASED ROUNDATION, OF WHICH JAWORSKI IS A TRUSTEE, WAS USED TO CHANNEL "HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS" OF C-I-A DOLLARS TO A NEW YORK LAW ORGANIZATION. HE IDENTIFIED THE ORGANIZATION AS THE AMERICAN FUND FOR FREE JURISTS CORPORATION, WHICH IS DEDIICATED TO GOVERNMENT THROUGH LAW.

FREEMAN TOLD AN INTERVIEWER (FOR GOLDEN WEST BROADCASTERS) IN LOS ANGELES THAT THE M-D ANDERSON FOUNDATION IS HOUSTON WAS USED BY THE C-I-A IN THE LATE 1960S. HE CAID JAWORSKI WAS A TRUSTEE OF THE FOUNDATION FOR 20 YEARS. JAWORSKI COULD NOT BE REACHED FOR COMMENT ON THE FREEMAN REPORT.

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FOUNDATION 11-5

LOS ANGELES (UPI) -- LEON JAWORSKI, THE NIXON ADMINISTRATION'S NEW WATERGATE PROSECUTOR, WAS A TRUSTEE OF A FOUNDATION THAT FED CIA MONEY INTO A NEW YROK LEGAL ORGANIZATION, ACCORDING TO ONE OF THE OTHER TRUSTEES.

JAWORSKI KNEW OF AND CONSENTED TO THE USE OF THE FOUNDATIONS AS A CONDUIT FOR CIA FUNDS, SAID JOHN FREEMAN, SENIOR PARTNER IN JAWORSKI'S HOUSTON LAW FIRM.

JAWORSKI WAS NOT AVAILABLE FOR COMMENT.

FREEMAN MADE HIS REMARKS IN AN INTERVIEW WITH GOLDEN WEST BROADCASTERS, WHICH WAS AIRED HERE DURING THE WEEKEND.

FREEMAN IS PRESIDENT OF THE M.D. ANDERSON FOUNDATION, OF WHICH JAWORSKI WAS A TRUSTEE. HE SAID THAT IN 1966 HE WAS CONTACTED BY THE CIA, AND ASKED TO HELP CHANNEL MONEY TO AN ORCANIZATION KNOWN AS THE AMERICAN FUND FOR FREE JURISTS IN NEW YORK. JAWORSKI AND THE OTHER TRUSTEES APPROVED, HE SAID.

"I'M THE FALL GUY, IF THERE IS ONE, "FREEMAN SAID." THE TRUSTEES "THOUGHT IT WAS IN THE BEST INTERESTS OF THIS NATION... THE WORLD AS A WHOLE...SO WE DID WHAT WE WERE ASKED," HE SAID.

THE FUND CHANNELING "WENT ON FOR SEVEN OR EIGHT YEARS TO THE TUNE OF SEVERAL HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS." OTHER FOUNDATIONS ALSO GAVE CIA-PROVIDED FUNDS TO THE "JURISTS" GROUP, FREEMAN SAID, INCLUDING "ONE IN BOSTON, ONE IN CHICAGO AND TWO IN NEW YORK."

HE SAID HE DID NOT KNOW HOW THE JURISTS FOUNDATION, DESCRIBED AS AN ORGANIZATION DEDICATED TO GOVERNMENT THROUGH LAW, USED THE MONEY.

THE CIA "ENJOINED THEM" TO SECRECY, FREEMAN SAID, BUT THE MODEY. ANDERSON FOUNDATION STOPPED CHANNELING CIA FUNDS IN 1970 OR 1971, AND CURRENTLY MAKES NO GRANTS OUTSIDE OF TEXAS.

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