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WASHINGTON, Jan. 2— Senator Frank Church said tonight, in the aftermath of the assassination of Richard S. Welch, the Central Intelligence Agency representative in Athens, that "those who reveal the names of agents active in the field are playing reckless games with human lives."

"Assassination is a worldwide evil not to be toyed with by governments, by newspapers, or other publications," said the Idaho Democrat, who is chairman of the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence. "I deplore any publication of names that would identify and thereby endanger intelligence agents active abroad," he said.

A Washington quarterly called Counterspy recently named Mr. Welch, who was shot down a week ago in Athens, as a C.I.A. representative. In addition, an Athens newspaper named him a few weeks ago as one of a number of C.I.A. officials operating in Greece.