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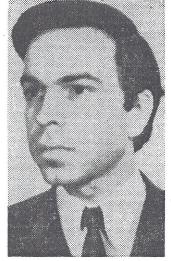
## East Germany Releases an American

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Special to The New York Times BERLIN, May 10—East Germany today released a United States citizen sen-tenced to a 15-year prison term for alleged espionage last September, returning him to American custody in West Berlin.

United States officials said United States officials said that the American, Peter T. Feinauer, 27 years old, of Providence, R. I., had been freed following negotiations between an East German representative and a New York attorney, Maxwell M. Rabb. Mr. Feinauer an art stu-

Rabb. Mr. Feinauer, an art stu-dent at the College of Fine Arts in West Berlin, was ar-rested in 1966 during a visit to East Berlin and spent al-most a year in pretrial de-tention. An East Berlin court last fall found him guilty of having spied for the United States Central Intelligence Agency and of having helped Agency and of having helped



Associated Press Peter T. Feinauer East Germans flee to the

West Officials said there appcared to be no link between Mr. Feinauer's case and that of Ronald Widenhoeft, 30, a former art instructor from Columbia University, who is the only American reported still in an East German jail. Mr. Wiedenhoeft has been held without trial since last September. He has been charged with espionage. Mr. Feinauer was reported in satisfactory physical shape, but an American spokesman said he appeared emotionally upset.

In New York, Maxwell M. Rabb said yesterday he was hopeful that the East German authorities would release Mr. Widenhoeft "in the near future." As chairman of the United States Committee for Refugees, Mr. Rabb last year obtained the release of four American prisoners from Fast Germany. East Germany.

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