

# Ex-agent upsets the CIA

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WASHINGTON — The Central Intelligence Agency rearranged some of its western Hemisphere operations after a disgruntled ex-agent made three trips to Cuba, an official source says.

The agent quit the CIA more than five years ago with no apparent rancor but subsequently the CIA learned that he was determined to do, say or write things to expose agency activities, the source said. The ex-agent's three trips to Havana occurred after he became disenchanted with the agency, the source said.

The dates of the Havana trips could not be determined. Nor could it be learned whether the CIA had verified whether the former agent had given the Cubans information about CIA operations. But the source said, "The presumption is that he was very forthcoming in Havana and that Havana was very forthcoming with Moscow."

"When the contact was discovered, those things that he knew about the agency were looked at very hard and defensive measures were taken," the source said.

Responding to a report by Sen. Howard H. Baker Jr.

## Mom too rough for rare cub

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CINCINNATI — Cincinnati Zoo officials fought to save the life of a rare, 18-day-old white tiger yesterday after its moody mother began "playing with it like a cat with a mouse."

Ed Maruska, zoo director, described the kitten as "very weak." He said emergency care was being provided.

The Bengal cub was the last born in a litter of four.

The other three cubs were taken from Kesari earlier "and are growing rapidly from a bottle-fed formula."

Maruska said the decision to retrieve the fourth cub was made after attendants reported Kesari was being "very rough" knocking it around the cage.

R. Tenn. earlier this week the CIA said it attempted "to terminate projects and move assets subject to compromise" as a result of the contact. What the CIA means by "assets" are people under cover, firms, institutions or other resources available to help the agency around the world on a volunteer contract or staff basis.

On Wednesday night, the same source had said that the disgruntled agent, while still employed by the CIA in Latin America, was believed to have given information to a Soviet Intelligence agent two years ago.

On Friday night, the source said that that was an error that there had been no contact with a Soviet agent and that the disaffected agent had left CIA's employ more than five years ago.

The ex-agent is now living in Western Europe, the source said. The CIA's deputy director of plans told the Senate Watergate Committee in closed session that the incident threatened to compromise Western Hemisphere operations, according to the report by Baker, committee vice chairman.

The incident came to Ba-

ker's attention through what he called a mysterious reference in a CIA memo to a "WH flap." The memo was written July 10, 1972, by a CIA case officer about a meeting he had that day with Robert Bennett.

Bennett was employed in the Washington office of Robert Mullen & Co., an international public relations firm then under contract to provide cover for CIA agents abroad.

Bennett gave his CIA case officer detailed information about the Watergate incident which occurred the previous month, according to the Baker report.

At the time of the Watergate break-in one of the conspirators, E. Howard Hunt Jr., a former CIA agent, was working part time in Mullen's Washington office.

In his memo, Bennett's CIA case officer "suggests that the agency might have to level with Mullen about the 'WH flap.'" Baker wrote. The CIA told Baker that reference was to a Western Hemisphere flap, but Baker reported that Bennett thought the reference was to a "White House flap."

In response to Baker's report, the CIA said, "The 'Western Hemisphere flap,' of course, had no relationship to Watergate."