

C.I.A. GIVES COURT DATA ON A MISSING PROFESSOR

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DENVER, Nov. 9—The Central Intelligence Agency complied with a Federal District Court order today and filed various documents, some censored, relating to the disappearance on March 15, 1969, of Prof. Thomas Riha of the University of Colorado.

The agency acknowledged that in April 1969 it assured Joseph Smiley, then president of the university, that Mr. Riha was alive and in good health.

Mr. Smiley has refused to identify his source, saying that he would not violate a confidence.

Mr. Riha was an associate professor of Russian history and was 40 years old when he disappeared. He was a resident of Boulder, Colo., where the campus is situated.

Lawyers representing Mr. Riha's estate requested information from the C.I.A. in an effort to determine the disposition of the former professor's estate. Some of Mr. Riha's friends believe that he may have been an intelligence agent.

The C.I.A., in the documents filed today,

said that in February 1970 it told Mike McKeivitt, then the Denver District Attorney, that the agency was the source of the report to Mr. Smiley and swore Mr. McKeivitt to secrecy. Mr. McKeivitt denied this today.

In today's filing, the C.I.A. provided 38 documents, with many deletions of names and other information. It contended that the information that was filed was sufficient to satisfy the court without the matter going to trial before Judge Richard P. Matsch, who had ordered that the information be submitted.