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Mexico Is Probing Ex-CIA Man

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The Mexican government says it is investigating activities in Mexico of Philip B. Agee, a former CIA agent, during a time of prolonged street violence.

The Interior Ministry said on Thursday, "We are already investigating the illicit activities that in the year (1968) Philip B. Agee may have carried out in Mexico."

Agee, who left the Central Intelligence Agency in 1969, lives in England. He admits he was an undercover agent in Mexico, Ecuador and Uruguay in 1967 and 1968 and has written a book about it.

From July to October of 1968, students and police clashed almost daily in the streets of the capital. On Oct. 2, 1968, Mexican troops fired on a crowd, killing at least 50 people.

Meanwhile, Socialist party leader Jorge Cruickshank Garcia charged that the CIA has promoted subversion in Mexico.

A U.S. Embassy spokesman declined comment on all the charges.

Socialist deputy Lazaro Rubio Felix said in a television interview that two CIA agents paid him \$64 a month to provide them with information about the Mexican government during the administration of President Gustavo Diaz Ordaz in 1964-1970.

Rubio Felix said he reported the arrangement to President Diaz after his party told him to become a counteragent. He did not identify the U.S. agents.

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