

DEFECTORS LINKED TO KREMLIN POLICE

WASHINGTON, Nov. 30 (AP) — Two European-born United States soldiers who defected to the Soviet Union more than four years ago were disclosed today to have had prior connections with the Soviet secret police.

The two, both World War II displaced persons, were stationed with United States Army units in West Germany when they crossed over to the Communists separately in the summer of 1960. Their defections and identity were disclosed then but not their prior connection with the Soviet secret police.

One was Vladimir Sloboda, a native of the Ukraine, who is now 37 years old. The other was Joseph Dutkanicz, a native of Poland who died a year ago today at the age of 37.

Their defection was mentioned two months ago in the Warren Commission's report on the assassination of President Kennedy.

The names of the two men were not given in the report. But the Army was asked for their names and records. Now, two months later, the Army, after consulting with the C.I.A., has said they were the same men whose defection in 1960 had been announced.

The Army gave no details on how, where or when the two had had connections with the Soviet secret police.