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Magazine Retracts Spy Report

Bonn

In the face of a threatened lawsuit and German and American government denials, a West German magazine yesterday withdrew a report alleging that the U.S. Central Intelligence Agency considers Bonn's chief spy catcher to be a Communist agent himself.

Ferdinand Simoneit, editor of the business affairs monthly *Capital*, said further research had cast "serious doubt" on the report that CIA agents in Germany had written Washington that they believe Guenther Nollau, director of the Bonn government's federal office for the protection of the constitution, may be an agent for the East German Communist regime.

Nollau himself, as well as the American and German governments, denied the report four days ago when Simoneit announced he intended to publish the story.

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