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SFChronicle Reprinting Of Hoover Red Article

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A California Congressman has decided to step into the breach created when FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover changed his mind about reprinting an article on Communist Chinese subversion in this country.

Representative John G. Schmitz (Rep.-Calif.) is planning to distribute reprints of the Hoover article which he inserted in the June 15 Congressional Record, a staff aide said yesterday.

The article, entitled "Red Shadows of Mao Tse-tung in America," was written by Hoover for the June issue of the Veterans of Foreign Wars magazine.

Hoover first indicated the FBI would distribute reprints of the article as it appeared in the magazine. But after President Nixon announced he will visit Peking, the director said "budgetary limitations" prevented the FBI from reprinting and distributing the article.

Hoover's change of mind was revealed in correspondence made available by Schmitz's office. In a letter to a Pennsylvania man dated July 14, Hoover said the article "is currently being reprinted and arrangements have been made so that a copy will be sent to you just

as soon as it is received from the printers."

On July 15 Mr. Nixon announced he will visit Mainland China. In a letter dated July 22, Hoover wrote to the same man saying "I regret that due to budgetary limitations, a decision has been made not to reprint my article which appeared in the VFW magazine."

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An aide to Schmitz said the Pennsylvania man, whose name he would not reveal, sent copies of the letter to the Congressman.

The aide said that, since putting Hoover's article in the Congressional Record Schmitz had received a number of requests for copies and was planning to have a number reprinted to fill requests.