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SUBJECT Ex-CIA Agent Turns KGB Agent

BOB SCHIEFER: There is apparently yet another spy scandal brewing. The FBI is searching tonight for a former CIA man who may have joined forces with the Soviet KGB.

Rita Braver has our report.

RITA BRAVER: Former CIA employee Edward Howard is now a federal fugitive wamted for spying for the Soviet Union. Last month he was working for the New Mexico State Legislature, but left abruptly.

MAN: I found his resignation and the keys on top of my desk when I came to work.

BRAVER: Government sources say the FBI began watching Howard's Santa Fe house after he was figured as a Soviet agent by a recent high-level KGB defector, VITALY YURCHENKO (?). The sources say FBI agents saw Howard go into the house, but when they moved in for an arrest, he was gone.

MAN: Well, we'er not in a position to comment on that at this time, and normally don't comment on ongoing investigations.

BRAVER: Howard reportedly worked for the CIA out of the US Embassy in Moscow in 1983 posing as a State Department employee. But later that year, according to officials familiar with the investigation, his relationship with the CIA soured and he left under a cloud. The sources say that it was only after he left the agency that he began working for the KGB.

Intelligence sources say that the CIA is doing a damage assessment and that there could be other arrests of people who worked with Howard. The officials also say that the defector who

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identified Howard can do far more damage to the KGB than Howard can do to the CIA.

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