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EX-CIA AGENT CHARGED WITH SHIPPING GUNS, TORTURE DEVICES TO AMIN
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NEW YORK (UPI) -- FUGITIVE FORMER CIA AGENT FRANK TERPIL, ALREADY ACCUSED OF SHIPPING GUNS TO LIBYA FOR TRAINING TERRORISTS, IS NOW UNDER INDICTMENT FOR SELLING WEAPONS, SPY EQUIPMENT AND TORTURE DEVICES TO DEPOSED UGANDAN DICTATOR IDI AMIN.

A GRAND JURY IN U.S. DISTRICT COURT IN MANHATTAN FILED A SIX-COUNT INDICTMENT THURSDAY ALLEGING VIOLATIONS OF THE ARMS EXPORT CONTROL LAW AGAINST TERPIL, HIS WIFE MARILYN AND HIS BUSINESS PARTNER, GEORGE KORKALA.

THE TERPILS AND KORKALA ALSO WERE INDICTED FOR ACCEPTING $5,000 TO OBTAIN A PHONY U.S. PASSPORT AND TRAVEL DOCUMENTS FOR AMIR MONTAZ, THE CHIEF OF PROTOCOL FOR THE LATE SHAH OF IRAN.

AUTHORITIES SAID ALL THREE ARE FUGITIVES -- TERPIL'S WHEREABOUTS ARE UNKNOWN, WHILE KORKALA IS ALLEGEDLY IN BEIRUT, LEBANON, AND MRS. TERPIL IN ENGLAND. TERPIL AND KORKALA SKIPPED $100,000 BAIL ON THE EVE OF A GUNRUNNING TRIAL IN NEW YORK OVER A YEAR AGO.

TERPIL SURFACED BRIEFLY FOR AN INTERVIEW IN BEIRUT, AIRED NOV. 8 ON CBS' "60 MINUTES," IN WHICH HE ADMITTED SETTING UP HIS OWN "AGENCY FOR HIRE" AND DEALING WITH AMIN.

THURSDAY'S INDICTMENT ALLEGED THAT TERPIL AND KORKALA UNLAWFULLY DELIVERED WEAPONS AND OTHER MATERIAL TO THE UGANDAN MISSION TO THE UNITED NATIONS IN 1979, KNOWING THAT THE ITEMS WOULD BE "CLANDESTINELY EXPORTED TO UGANDA."

THE DELIVERIES INCLUDED SUCH ITEMS AS SEMI-AUTOMATIC SHOTGUNS, HANDGUNS, SILENCERS, HOLLOW-POINT AMMUNITION, VOICE-DECIPHERING SYSTEMS AND 10 TORTURE DEVICES STAMPED "EXERCISE TWISTERS," THE INDICTMENT SAID.

TERPIL AND KORKALA WERE ALSO ACCUSED OF SUPPLYING THE UGANDAN MISSION WITH LEAD-LINED, X-RAY-PROOF PACKING SHEETS FOR THE AIR SHIPMENT OF THE WEAPONS TO UGANDA UNDER DIPLOMATIC SEAL.

THE CHARGES CARRY PENALTIES OF UP TO 5 YEARS IN PRISON AND FINES OF UP TO $10,000 EACH.

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