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DISTURBING QUESTIONS

For six years a Polish agent has been supplying U.S. intelligence agents information which led to the arrest of several important Soviet bloc spies operating outside the United States.

The agent came to the U.S. in 1961 after reportedly having been in contact with U.S. agents in Poland since 1958. First news about the Polish agent's activities was published by the New York Journal-American which described him as a former high-ranking member of the Soviet secret police, KGB.

That newspaper's account has raised some disturbing questions. It reported the Polish agent informed U.S. intelligence agencies that Moscow had placed active "cells" in the Central Intelligence Agency and the State Department, both in Washington and overseas.

The newspaper also listed these among the agent's allegations: Approximately \$1.2 million of CIA funds in Vienna recently was passed secretly to the Communists; three American scientists with access to defense secrets are working for the Soviet KGB; the KGB has been able to infiltrate all American embassies in important cities abroad and "every U.S. agency except the FBI".

These are critical charges. The FBI and CIA have refused to comment on any aspect of the case. Presidential Press Secretary Pierre Salinger said "the White House doesn't comment on intelligence matters."

While some unnamed "sources" are quoted as disputing these allegations, now that they're out in the open it appears the American public is entitled to a better answer than "no comment."

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