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REDS AIDS U. S.****Information Leads to Ar-
rest of Spies in
Europe****IN THIS NATION SINCE '61****Defector Is Said to Be
Living in New York
Today**By John R. Cauley
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Washington — A Polish-born agent who defected from the Soviet secret police has provided the United States intelligence community with information which has resulted in the arrest of important Communist spies operating against this country abroad, it was learned last night.

The defector, Michal Goleniewski, reportedly came to this country in 1961 and for three years previous to that time was in contact with United States intelligence sources in Poland.

Checked by the FBI Goleniewski was said to have provided a great amount of information to the American intelligence officials which, after a thorough check-out by the Federal Bureau of Investigation, led in some cases to the arrest of the Communist agents overseas.

It is understood that American intelligence agents are still maintaining their contacts with the defector who is said to be living in New York. It is reported that he was given the name of Goleniewski after he came to this country.

Earlier yesterday the New York Journal American said that the defector, once a high-ranking operator in the Russian K. G. B., had informed American officials that the Russians had placed active "cells" both in the State department and Central Intelligence agency.

No White House Word
Asked about the Journal American story, Pierre Salinger, press secretary, said "the White House does not comment on intelligence matters."

It was learned in other places, however, that the information in the Journal American story was not consistent with the accounts given to this government.

The story in the Journal American said the defector "has provided Washington with details of what looms as a greater scandal than the famous Alger Hiss case."