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# I Was Ivan in CIA, Says a John Smith

Moscow, Oct. 24 (UPI)—A man who identified himself as John Smith, a former Central Intelligence Agency agent, said in an article published in a Soviet newspaper today that he defected to the Soviet Union because the United States was preparing "a new world catastrophe."

A United States Embassy spokesman, asked to comment, said:

"I never heard of this John Smith. The only John Smith I know of was subverted by Pocahontas."

Writing in the the Literary Gazette, Smith said he spied for the CIA while serving on the

diplomatic staff in India. He boasted he had been a "good assistant" to the CIA chiefs in India, including his own wife, Mary London Smith.

Smith said he was now a Soviet citizen living and working in Moscow. He did not say where his wife was.

Smith said he helped spy on

"the embassy of a certain developing country" (which was oriented toward the Soviet bloc), acted as CIA liaison man with Indian agents, and collected information. He said high-ranking Indian military officers were on the CIA payroll and that the CIA tapped the telephones of some of the leaders.

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