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Munich institute funded by CIA, paper reveals

FRANKFURT — The West German bourgeois newspaper, Frankfurter Allgemeine Zeitung, said on Tuesday that the Institute for the Study of the USSR in Munich is being financed from the same sources as the Munich-based Radio Liberty and Radio Free Europe, both of which were set up by the U.S. Central Intelligence Agency. The Institute was established in July, 1950, in Munich; its members are people who left the USSR with the Nazi forces in World War II. The Institute puts out "scholarly" studies on the USSR in Russian, German, English and Turkish.

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