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U.S. Denies Aiding Paper

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SINGAPORE, June 11—The U.S. embassy today denied suggestions by Prime Minister Lee Kuan Yew that an American agency had been financing the Singapore Herald.

The English-language daily shut down May 28 when the government withdrew its printing permit. Lee earlier implied that the paper was linked with "black" (subversive) operations directed from abroad.

At a news conference in Helsinki yesterday, the prime minister said he believed the CIA was not directly involved with the Herald but added that there were other agencies in the U.S. government, such as the U.S. Information Service and the Voice of America.

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