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Castro's Shield

A highly placed official in the federal government's general intelligence agency has warned a United States Senate subcommittee that international Communism is using Fidel Castro's revolution as a shield behind which Communists are plotting to take over highly vulnerable Latin America.

General C. P. Cabell, deputy director of the CIA, said Cuban Communists are delighted with Castro's government, that it is tailor made for infiltration.

Few could doubt the wisdom of Cabell's observation. Though it may not be by design, Castro is lending his government to Communist influences. And unless that government adopts a more rigid and independent policy in this regard, the tail well could wag the dog one day.

The Communist drive in Latin America, said Cabell, is more intense than either in the Middle East or in North Africa and the Reds' effort in those two pockets of the world is tremendous.

Cabell said Moscow money is being used wholesale to support Communist efforts in Latin American countries; that Russia and Red China are beaming 85 hours of propaganda a week in the Spanish and Portuguese languages to those nations and Communist sympathizers number in the hundreds of thousands.

The establishment of a Communist beachhead in the very back yard of the United States is a frightening prospect.