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U.S. Labor Unit In S. America Denies CIA Aid

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The director of a U.S. labor school active in South America told yesterday of violent clashes with Communists, but denied accepting any help from the Central Intelligence Agency.

William C. Doherty, administrator of the American Institute for Free Labor Development, said on the AFL-CIO radio program "Labor News Conference" that published allegations that CIA funds have been channeled through the institute are phony.

"I think that many of the people who have originated them have done so because they feel that to associate us with the Central Intelligence Agency will, in some way, mitigate the success of our activities," Doherty said. He told a reporter later he would resign if he found any CIA link with the institute.