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# Second list of CIA agents

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A second list of 12 alleged CIA agents operating in the American Embassy here was published today by the extreme left-wing newspaper, Liberation.

The allegations have been taken up by the Socialist Party and there are signs that, on the Right, some Gaullists will also bring pressure on the French Government to act against alleged CIA activities.

The chief spokesman for the Socialist Party, M. Claude Estier, said today he had had a chance of verifying the authenticity of Liberation's list. "The publication helps to show that our country has not been spared the activities of the CIA — and we know what results such activities have had abroad, as in Chile, Portugal, and Italy."

M. Alexandre Sanguinetti, a leader of the Gaullist Party, which forms part of the Government, told Liberation: "The nation wanting to be free must chase off the spies of all powers, especially the big ones. Had I been Minister of the Interior, I would have dealt with the affair long ago."

The Minister of the Interior, M. Poniatowski, belongs to the Independent Republican Party of President Giscard d'Estaing.

A Socialist spokesman would not say tonight how M. Estier had been able to verify the list, but it now seems very likely that some at least, if not most of the names on the list, belong to real CIA agents. Because of latent anti-Americanism in his own camp, the affair may prove as embarrassing to President Giscard d'Estaing as to the Americans.

A Socialist Member of Parliament, M. Georges Fillioud, tonight tabled a motion drawing the Prime Minister's attention to the CIA list, "which has not been challenged," and urging the Prime Minister to say whether France intended to be "less severe with the CIA than the American Congress."

In the first official reaction to the affair, the Ministry of the Interior issued a statement tonight saying that French information services had "no part" in the publication of the names.

The statement added that "in most cases" foreign agents working here were known and watched. "In cases where they are found to interfere in internal affairs, they are asked to leave or brought before the security court."

There has been no editorial comment yet, but in a short and irascible note, printed in italics after its news report, the newspaper, Le Monde, said tonight: "By definition, secret services work in secret. It is for the managers of these organisations, and for them alone, to take the necessary precautions for fulfilling this condition of the task, and to change round their staff when agents are discovered."

"It is not a priori infamous to work for such services, which exist in every country. What creates the problem is the nature of the mission entrusted to these organisations."