Nuorteva Says Spies Helped to Frame Program of Communists.

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NEW YORK — A warrant for the deportation of Ludwig C.A.K. Martens has been issued, Department of Justice officials said Wednesday [Jan. 7, 1920]. Officers of the department said they would serve the warrant as soon as they could find Martens. S. Nuorteva, one of Martens' aids, told a reporter that Martens was at the Lafayette Hotel, only a few doors from the department.

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WASHINGTON — A statement issued to the press Tuesday night [Jan. 6, 1920] by S. Nuorteva, Secretary to Ludwig C.A.K. Martens, Russian commercial representative in America, charged that agents of the Department of Justice had actively participated in the formulation of Communist Party platform planks, "which now form the basis of the persecution of thousands of people."

The statement also asserted that "we can prove that the chief figures in such celebrated bomb plots were agents of a similar nature," and that some other radical activities now said to have been instituted by Russians "were in reality managed and inspired by secret service agents."

"The Russian Government Soviet Bureau [sic.]," it said, "would welcome an opportunity to make good these assertions before the proposed Senate investigating committee."

Would Welcome Inquiry.

The hearing conducted by the proposed Senate committee, the statement further asserted, "would also have opened wide — if we were permitted to testify — the agean stables of the work of Russian reactionaries in this country, who have squandered on abominable plots and intrigues tens of millions of money lent by the American government to Russia."

The additional charge was made that there seemed to be many people besides Boris Bakhmetiff (former representative of Kerensky government in Washington) and his crowd who would not like to have these matters discussed.