

# Bombings Link Probed

## Anti-War Protest Possible Impetus

**HEIDELBERG.** Germany (AP) — Bombings in France and West Germany prompted authorities to begin investigating yesterday whether the attacks on American buildings and installations were part of a coordinated terrorist campaign against U.S. war policies in Vietnam.

Explosions damaged the U.S. consulate and American Legion headquarters in Paris early yesterday, about eight hours after two huge bombs went off at the U.S. Army's European headquarters in Heidelberg.

No casualties were reported in Paris, but the **Heidelberg** blast killed three American soldiers and injured five other persons.

Soon after hearing of the Paris explosions, the West German Interior Ministry in Bonn checked with French authorities to determine whether the blasts were connected.

Strict security regulations were ordered further tightened at U.S. and West German facilities amid indications more terrorist acts were in the offing.

A Frankfurt daily newspaper, Frankfurter Rundschau, reported it received an anonymous letter threatening further undefined action against "U.S. imperialism," on June 2.

The letter, signed by the "Red Army Faction," said those who support the revolution in Indochina must begin the class struggle in their own land. It did not, however, claim responsibility for the Heidelberg blasts.

The Paris bombings were clearly defined as an anti-war protest by a group calling itself the "Committee of Coordination," and claiming responsibility for the blasts in a communique.

Paris police found a third **bomb** in the offices of Pan American World Airways on the bustling Avenue des Champs Elysees. The bomb was defused by explosives specialists. Another American airline, TWA, also received a bomb threat. Police found no **bomb**.

Heidelberg police disclosed the terrorists had stolen two German-registered cars within the last two weeks and fitted them with stolen U.S. armed forces license plates, enabling the cars to pass through tightened security posts at the Army compound.

Police issued the description of a woman being sought in connection with the theft of one of the cars. She was said to be a tall, slim brunette between age 25 and 30, who was wearing gold-rimmed glasses.

The Bonn government announced that Chancellor Willy Brandt would head a top-level investigation of the bombings following his return today from a visit to Austria.

The government was expected to step up the hunt for the so-called Baader-Meinhof Gang, which recently has adopted the name of "Red Army Faction." The organization claims responsibility for the May 11 bombings at the U.S. Army headquarters in Frankfurt.

