

of a separate and independent investigation through the medium of a Court of Inquiry. I therefore announced my conclusion to withhold the Court of Inquiry for the time being and accepted the invitation of the Warren Commission to attend their hearings and assist in the fulfillment of its important responsibilities. I am now pleased to report that subsequent events have vindicated the propriety and advisability of this decision.

From the time that the Warren Commission began its work, my special counsel and I have complied with every request for assistance to the Commission and its staff, including among others the following:

1. Assembling and submitting investigative reports, statements of witnesses, data, etc., gathered under the supervision of city and county officials of Dallas.
2. Serving as liaison between the Commission and the city and county officials of Dallas, arranging for interviews of Dallas witnesses and the taking of their testimony.

In addition, we have attended sessions of the Commission for the taking of testimony and have kept abreast of the progress of the investigation and all material developments. Most re-