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WASHINGTON--FBI DIRECTOR J. EDGAR HOOVER TESTIFIED BEFORE THE WARREN COMMISSION TODAY ON THE SECURITY PROTECTION GIVEN PRESIDENT KENNEDY BOTH DURING AND BEFORE HIS VISIT TO DALLAS.

THE COMMISSION ALSO TOOK TESTIMONY FROM JOHN A. MCCONE, HEAD OF THE CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY.

THE PANEL, HEADED BY CHIEF JUSTICE EARL WARREN, GAVE NO REASON FOR CALLING EITHER OF THE OFFICIALS. HOWEVER, THERE HAVE BEEN REPORTS THAT THE COMMISSION WAS PLANNING TO ISSUE A STATEMENT CRITICAL OF THE SECURITY ARRANGEMENTS FOR KENNEDY AT THE TIME OF HIS ASSASSINATION.

IN EARLIER TESTIMONY, THE MOTHER OF ACCUSED ASSASSIN LEE HARVEY OSWALD, TOLD THE COMMISSION THAT SHE BELIEVED HER SON WAS AN INFORMER FOR THE FBI OR THE CIA. BOTH HOOVER AND MCCONE HAVE DENIED THIS.

HOOVER SAID HE FELT HE WAS CALLED BY THE COMMISSION BECAUSE IT IS NORMAL PROCEDURE TO CALL THE HEAD OF ANY AGENCY WHICH PLAYED A ROLE SUCH AS THE FBI DID IN KENNEDY'S ASSASSINATION.

HE SAID HE FELT SOME PEOPLE WOULD HAVE CRITICIZED THE COMMISSION IF THEY HADN'T CALLED THE HEAD OF THE AGENCY TO SEE IF HE HAD ANYTHING TO ADD TO WHAT HIS MEN HAD TOLD THE COMMISSION EARLIER.

THE FBI DIRECTOR SAID HE FELT THE COMMISSION WAS VERY THOROUGH IN ITS QUESTIONING. HE SAID THE COMMISSION HAD GONE INTO MANY AREAS WHICH A REASONABLE MAN MIGHT NOT EVEN EXPECT THEM TO.

"ALL REASONABLE PEOPLE WILL BE IMPRESSED BY THE THOROUGHNESS WITH WHICH THE COMMISSION IS CONDUCTING ITS INVESTIGATION," HOOVER SAID.

THERE HAVE BEEN NO CHANGES IN THE PROCEDURES OF COMMUNICATION BETWEEN THE FBI AND THE SECRET SERVICE SINCE KENNEDY'S ASSASSINATION, HOOVER SAID. HE SAID THE FBI HAS ALWAYS HAD STANDING ORDERS TO INFORM THE SECRET SERVICE IMMEDIATELY OF ANY INFORMATION IT HAD PERTAINING TO THE SECURITY OF THE PRESIDENT.

THE FBI DIRECTOR REVEALED FOR THE FIRST TIME THAT HIS AGENCY HAD SUPPLIED 43 AGENTS TO HELP THE SECRET SERVICE DURING PRESIDENT KENNEDY'S FUNERAL. HE SAID THE FBI AGENTS WERE ASSIGNED TO COVER THE CATHEDRAL WHERE SERVICES WERE HELD FOR THE ASSASSINATED PRESIDENT.

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