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# Prof Upholds Warren Report

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Dr. Jacob Cohen, a 38-year-old Brandeis University professor, has reached what he terms a startling conclusion about the 1963 assassination of President Kennedy in Dallas.

"That conclusion is that the Warren Commission report was correct in every major conclusion," he told newsmen at the Dallas Press Club Friday.

He said he is convinced the murder was not the result of any conspiracy but the work of a single disturbed individual, Lee Harvey Oswald.

But he said his decision to accept the Warren report is highly unusual since most of the rest of the nation seems prepared to believe the government statement is incorrect.

He said the nation is in a mood to mistrust the government, but he protested the assassination "is a matter of fact and not of opinion."

"And there's no way to sound anything but dogmatic when discussing a matter of fact," he noted.

He said his own investigation of the Warren report has convinced him that every contradictory theory is unfounded.

He especially criticized writer Mark Lane, who lashed out against the report in his book, "Rush to Judgment." He charged Lane with "setting up straw men" in his attack on the report's findings.

He said the only questionable points in the Warren report are the absence of the X rays taken of Kennedy's body at Bethesda Naval Hospital in Maryland and the inadequate investigation made into Oswald's personal background.

Cohen said he has now learned that the Kennedy family requested the X rays be withheld from the public, but his questions about Oswald persist.

Cohen is currently in line with thousands of other scholars awaiting the Oct. 29 release of the autopsy photos

Kennedy at Bethesda. Cohen said the photos are carefully screened. He expressed a national distrust of the federal government, Cohen remarked. "There's a difference between a stupid and a clever government—the clever government is a government that is ten times as stupid but certainly more cunning."

Cohen is a widely published author and nationally known lecturer. A self-styled liberal, he has worked as an editor for publications of CORE (Congress on Racial Equality) and written widely on black power, student unrest and Jewish life in America.

He visited Dallas Friday to address the fall meeting of the Dallas Chapter, Brandeis University National Women's Committee.

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