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# Warren Report Won't Satisfy All

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The Warren Commission will soon issue its report on the assassination of President Kennedy and it will disappoint a lot of people. It will find that one man and one man alone was responsible for Kennedy's tragic death. That man was Lee Harvey Oswald.

Unfortunately, the report will not satisfy a lot of people, even though it is issued by the Chief Justice of the United States and some of the most distinguished citizens of the Nation.

In Europe and the Near East recently, I found a universal belief that President Kennedy was murdered by a fascist conspiracy. This belief was confided to me by none other than Nikita Khrushchev and was shared by high officials in allied governments.

**Khrushchev's Opinion**  
Khrushchev expressed high regard for Chief Justice Warren, but said that Warren would bring in a political report that would not tell the facts of the alleged conspiracy.

Regardless of this, the Warren Commission has concluded that no one aided

Oswald, that he was a strange introvert who found fault with everything and brooding over these faults, had plotted singlehandedly to kill President Kennedy.

When Mrs. Oswald testified before the Commission, she said in her faltering English: "My husband no like United States. When he go to Russia he no like Russia. He come back to the United States and he like Cuba. Then he go to Mexico to try to get into Cuba and he decide he doesn't like Cuba. He no like anyone—except he like to live on moon."

### Fascist Conspiracy?

Three factors have led to the widespread impression in Europe that Mr. Kennedy was murdered by a fascist conspiracy:

1. The fact that Oswald was killed in the Dallas Police Station. No European can understand how anyone can be killed in a police station unless it's a deliberate police plot.
2. The book, "Who Killed Kennedy?" by Thomas G. Buchanan, which has been widely quoted in Europe.
3. The remarks of Chief Justice Warren that some of the testimony taken by the Commission might not be made public "in your lifetime."

This has led to speculation that the Commission was suppressing certain facts.

### Remark Explained

However, here is the inside

story of how the Chief Justice happened to make this remark:

On Feb. 3, Mrs. Oswald was testifying before the Commission, and about 25 newspapermen were waiting to find out what she said. The Chief Justice, not wanting to be rude, stopped to answer their questions. He explained in reply to questions, that all the communications, letters, and raw material used for the final findings of the Commission would be sent to the Archives Office for posterity, so the public could have the material later.

He had in mind the fact that much of the raw material of the probe of Abraham Lincoln's assassination was destroyed, and the country still does not entirely know what happened. The material on which the Warren Commission report is based is not to be destroyed, and the Chief Justice explained that it would be sent to the Archives Office.

However, some of this material includes reports from the Central Intelligence Agency, the Pentagon, and the State Department that are marked "classified." A newspaperman asked whether this material would be made public and Warren responded:

"Yes, there will come a time. But it might not be in your lifetime. I am not referring to anything especially, but there may be some

things that would involve security. These would be preserved but not made public."

The Chief Justice was not referring to the facts surrounding the assassination but to the State Department and CIA documents marked "classified" which take some time to declassify. His remark was not published in proper context and was widely misconstrued.

"I could have kicked myself afterward for saying that," Warren later confided to a friend.

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