

# DELAY EXPECTED IN RELEASE OF OSWALD REPORT

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WASHINGTON, Dec. 6 (AP)—The Federal Bureau of Investigation's completed report on the assassination of President John F. Kennedy will not be made public for at least a week, and possibly not until later, Government sources said today.

Department of Justice officials now have the report. It will be delivered to President Lyndon B. Johnson, even though dozens of FBI agents still are pursuing the investigation. Then it will be forwarded to the investigating commission headed by Chief Justice Earl Warren.

President Johnson has promised that the FBI findings will be made public, but officials said orderly procedure requires that the Warren commission have opportunity to study the report before it is released.

The FBI is understood to have concluded that Lee Harvey Oswald was the assassin in the

former Marine, planned and worked alone in the Nov. 22 assassination in Dallas.

## Warren Assurance

Warren has given his implicit assurance that the bipartisan body will reach beyond the official findings, if need be, to clear up any questions that the FBI and six co-operating agencies have not answered to the commission's satisfaction.

Warren announced yesterday, after a 2½-hour commission meeting, that Congress would be asked to arm the group with subpoena power. Congress is sure to respond quickly; legislation is being drafted.

This would enable the commission to compel the appearance of witnesses and the furnishing of needed documents at any hearings that the commission might decide to hold.

Action was being taken, also, to equip the commission with staff aids, offices and operating procedures.

## Full Authority

The Warren group has full authority, under Mr. Johnson's executive order of last Friday which created it, to go beyond a mere evaluation of the FBI and other findings. The order empowers it to conduct any further

investigation it deems desirable. Whether hearings actually will be held has not been decided.

Warren told reports yesterday that none of the procedural questions had been settled.

Still to be resolved also was the question of whether the White House would make public the FBI report before or after the commission studies and evaluates it.

Johnson promised that the findings would be made public in full, but did not say when, and White House press officers have been vague on the question.

The commission's meeting place, until its own quarters are provided, is a main-floor conference room in the National Archives building, where the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution are open to public view.

## 'Somewhat in Dark'

Warren told reporters yesterday's meeting that the commission still was working "somewhat in the dark" in approaching what he called its "very sad and very solemn duty" because it had not received the FBI or any other Government report.

"The information we have

now" he said, "is little more than what we have learned through the news media."

He said that the four members of Congress on the commission would be sponsors of the legislation seeking subpoena power. They are Senator Richard B. Russell (Dem.), Georgia, Senator John Sherman Cooper (Rep.), Kentucky, Representative Hale Boggs (Dem.), Louisiana, and Representative Gerald R. Ford, (Rep.) Michigan.

The other members are John J. McCloy, former high commissioner of Germany, and Allen W. Dulles, former director of the central intelligence agency. These were joined in the closed session by Nicholas Katzenbach, deputy Attorney General.