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The question has been frequently raised as to the date the Naval Bethesda Hospital's autopsy report was furnished to the FBI. Although the file does not reflect this, it has been established that on December 23, 1963 Orrin Bartlett, FBI Liaison Officer, requested and was furnished a copy of the autopsy report.

There has also been the question as to the date on which the Secret Service furnished the autopsy report to the Warren Commission. A review of our files has failed to establish this date, probably because of the manner in which the autopsy report was held in a confidential envelope.

The autopsy report, which was made a part of the Warren Commission Exhibit, does not contain a Secret Service control number and it cannot, therefore, be reconciled with the documents forwarded from time to time to the Commission identified in these transmissions by means of Secret Service control numbers.

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