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MURPHY SAYS F.B.I. HIDES CRIME DATA

Calls for More Sharing of
Information With Police

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Police Commissioner Patrick V. Murphy criticized the Federal Bureau of Investigation yesterday for what he described as its "exclusive monopoly" on information concerning crime.

In a renewed criticism of J. Edgar Hoover, the bureau's director, Mr. Murphy called for a greater sharing of information by the F. B. I. with police chiefs throughout the country to combat all kinds of crime.

The commissioner called on the Federal Government to allocate more funds to the state so as to make possible an exchange of crime information among police department heads if such information was not readily available from the F.B.I.

"Federal financial help to our Chiefs of Police Association," Mr. Murphy said, "will enable us to develop our methods of exchange of intelligence among ourselves."

His remarks were made in an interview following his appearance on WCBS-TV's "Public Hearing" program. A spokesman for the F.B.I. in Washington said that no comment could be made until Mr. Murphy's statement was read in its entirety.

During his appearance on television, Commissioner Murphy said that Mr. Hoover "on more than one occasion" had said that the F.B.I. had been unable to find evidence "of a national conspiracy to kill policemen."

Exclusion Mentioned

"Well," Mr. Murphy said, "I'm encouraged by that. But at the same time, I'm anxious to get at that wealth of information that Mr. Hoover has."

Mr. Murphy lauded the cooperation of John Malone, assistant director of the F.B.I. in charge of the New York office, in the investigation into the recent slaying of the two patrolmen here.

"If a similar case occurred in another state," he added, "and the information might help us, we would never know about it."

Commissioner Murphy, who was not on the guest list of a White House law-enforcement conference last week, said that the "more than 30,000 policemen in this city suffered more from the problem under discussion than the police officers of any other city."

Mr. Murphy, who has been left off the invitation list for a similar two-day conference today and tomorrow, said that Chief Inspector Michael J. Codd would attend.

"I want him to attend," the commissioner added. "I wouldn't want the department to not be represented but I'm unable to explain why he's welcome and I'm not."

The explanation given for Mr. Murphy's exclusion was that he is not a police chief.