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Backstop for Gray

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President Nixon already has lined up his second choice for the job of FBI director in the event senate refuses to confirm his first choice, L. Patrick Gray III, Newsweek magazine said yesterday.

Mr. Nixon's backup candidate, according to Newsweek, is Washington, D.C.

police chief Jerry Wilson, Gray's confirmation by the senate was rendered somewhat doubtful last week when he testified before the senate judiciary committee that he had permitted White House counsel John W. Dean III to sit in on FBI questioning of White House staffers in connection with the watergate bugging.

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