

Cushing Condones The 'Plot' Probe

Boston

Richard Cardinal Cushing said yesterday that he "never believed" President Kennedy's assassination was the deed of one man.

The Cardinal, speaking out at a news conference at which he also announced he was retiring in 1970, said New Orleans District Attorney Jim Garrison's office should continue investigating an alleged plot to kill Mr. Kennedy.

"I believe they should follow it through," said the Cardinal, a close friend of the Kennedy family. The Cardinal officiated at the wedding

of the late President and Jacqueline Kennedy.

The Cardinal also officiated Wednesday at ceremonies in Arlington National Cemetery in which the remains of President Kennedy were moved to a permanent gravesite.

Cardinal Cushing said some of the Warren Commission's findings would not be made public for years.

Cardinal Cushing set his retirement date at Aug. 24, 1970, his 75th birthday and the 25th anniversary of his becoming Archbishop of the two-million-member Catholic Archdiocese of Boston.

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