

# Possibility Of Extending The Hearings

Washington

Senator Daniel K. Inouye (Dem-Hawaii) said yesterday the Watergate committee may ask the Senate to extend its February 28 deadline for a report on the scandal.

But Inouye, a member of the panel, said he personally opposes continuing the Watergate hearings into next year. The committee chair-

man, Senator Sam J. Ervin (Dem-N.C.), has said he hopes to wind up the hearings by November 1.

Inouye predicted a close vote when he and other committee members meet next Tuesday to decide whether to form subcommittees to carry out separate inquiries into so-called "dirty tricks" and financing irregularities during the 1972 Presidential campaign.

If members decide instead to continue full committee hearings, Inouye said, it probably will take longer to complete the hearings

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