

Oswald A 'Safe Risk'

WASHINGTON — (AP) — FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover was quoted yesterday as expressing deep concern that "we don't become hysterical and go too far" in setting safeguards for the President's safety.

The Washington Evening Star said he cited to the Warren Commission a visit to Chicago by President Johnson which Hoover said resulted in several people who belong to subversive organizations being placed "almost in house arrest" by local authorities eager to co-operate with the Secret Service.

"The mere fact that a person disagrees with you on Communism doesn't mean he should be arrested," Hoover said. He cautioned that absolute safeguards for the President are impossible without establishing a police state or using Gestapo tactics.

Hoover also was said to have revealed to the commission existence of a State Department document indicating that Lee Harvey Oswald, the slain assassin of President Kennedy, was a thoroughly safe risk and had changed his mind about Communism.

These points along with his recommendations for tightening safeguards for the President were made to the Warren Commission by Hoover

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ver in his testimony May 14, the Star reported in a copyrighted story. The commission has not made Hoover's testimony public but the Star said it had obtained a transcript.

Hoover's testimony stressed that none of the FBI information about Oswald indicated any tendency toward violence.

The State Department report on Oswald, Hoover said, was based on an interview with Oswald by the American Embassy in Moscow before he returned to the United States. The document indicated Oswald "was a loyal man now and had seen the light of day," Hoover told the commission.