

1           THE CHAIRMAN: We will now proceed to the con-  
2 sideration of the Fifth Report of the Committee on Political  
3 Subdivisions. This is a report entitled Fifth Report,  
4 dated August 21, 1966, Not for Publication. I might say  
5 the reason it's marked not for publication is not that it  
6 was meant to be withheld, but before the newspapers com-  
7 mented on it, the Commission wanted to review it. Mr. Clagett

8           MR. CLAGETT: Mr. Chairman, I propose to approach  
9 your consideration this afternoon on the basis of a very,  
10 very brief introduction and then the clearing of certain  
11 matters which I think we could well get behind us and then  
12 go directly into the consideration of the Fifth Report and  
13 follow the same procedure that has been followed by the  
14 Committee Chairmen heretofore of reading the provisions in  
15 their entirety and then going back for discussion and  
16 pointing out where I think there is matter for considera-  
17 tion by the Commission.

18           On that basis, Mr. Chairman, I would start at  
19 this point. The first meeting of this Committee was back  
20 in December of last year and at that time we tried to re-  
21 view the two articles which were principally assigned to