

Hearings on subversives files to resume

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The Civil Rights Commission is scheduled to resume hearings today on the Police Department's practice of keeping intelligence files on alleged political subversives.

Gov. Hernández Colón is slated to testify Friday, according to commission President Enrique González. The governor is the only witness scheduled for that day, González said, adding that if he failed to appear before the commission he would be charged with contempt.

Justice Secretary Héctor Rivera Cruz and Police Superintendent Carlos López Feliciano are scheduled to testify on Thursday.

Others set to testify this week are Policemen's Association President José Taboada de Jesús and Cuban publisher Antonio de la Cova, both of whom are slated for

Tuesday.

However, de la Cova told the commission he would not testify in public hearings, saying he was being personally singled out for harassment.

Commission executive director Yamil Suárez Marchand said the commission would give the governor its final report once all the testimony is transcribed.

Suárez Marchand also said the commission still had to go to the National Archives in Washington to research the role of federal agencies in gathering information on citizens' political ideology.

The hearings began at the end of July following disclosures that police had more than 50,000 names of a list of people singled out solely on the basis of their political beliefs, and have been held intermittently since then.