

December 13, 1963

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- 1 - Mr. Belmont
- 1 - Mr. J.P. Mohr
- 1 - Mr. DeLoach
- 1 - Mr. Sullivan
- 1 - Mr. Branigan
- 1 - Mr. Turner
- 1 - Mr. R.W. Smith

Honorable J. Lee Rankin
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Presidential Commission

Dear Lee:

The FBI report, "Investigation of Assassination of President John F. Kennedy, November 22, 1963," which has been furnished to the Presidential Commission, is a summary of the evidence and information developed in our continuing investigation of this case.

This report dealt only with the positive results of the investigation up to December 6, 1963, and did not include the results of extensive investigation necessary to resolve numerous false reports and hoaxes in the United States and other countries. For example, many false allegations were received that Lee Harvey Oswald had been seen in widely separated areas of the United States on or about the date of the assassination. Several instances of inaccurate and irresponsible reporting by news media undoubtedly gave rise to rumors and speculation which resulted in additional false reports to the FBI.

Moreover, it has been necessary to investigate several attempts by unscrupulous individuals to exploit the assassination of President Kennedy. These hoaxes and false reports have caused the diversion of thousands of man-hours of investigative effort.

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NOTE:

See memo Smith to Sullivan 12/13/63 re
 Investigation of Assassination of President
 John F. Kennedy.
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