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REC-25 62-104060-1787

Honorable J. Lee Rankin
36 West 44th Street
New York 36, New York

(Sec. 17)

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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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*Examples of Hoaxes
all attached
all in photos*

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Examples of hoaxes are attached - all 9 photos

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