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Mr. Warren Hinckle III, Editor  
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Dear Mr. Hinckle:

Particularly because you pretend such masculine vigor is it so unbecoming that you wash out and reuse condoms. Some, as you may yet learn, had holes in them.

How strange it is that, for all its resources, all its vaunted man- and brainpower, all the thousands of hours and dollars invested, RAMPARTS has been able to come up with nothing of its own on the Kennedy assassination.

And how unfortunately typical it is that, in the article beginning and ending with, "Let justice be done though the heavens fall", your literary thievery is so undisguised.

I note the blurbing on the Turner piece, that he "had full access to Garrison's files, and has logged 80,000 miles doublechecking ..." during his nine-months labor (I told you the condoms leaked). Garrison's files are loaded with data from those who give, not take. Consistent with the pretense of omniscience and originality, RAMPARTS credits no one - not even that other literary kleptomaniac, Popkin - except Epstein, who you know might scream - as might Viking and Bantam - pretending instead that all of this work of others is its own. Shame on you all, more for your crookedness than your incompetence!

However, so you may know how well you spend your money, that nine months required for this mixed plagiarism and rewrite greatly exceeds the writing time of all four of my books from which you have so uninhibitedly stolen. If your thievery is wasteful and inefficient, unduly costly, it serves to measure your bankruptcy.

Ulov G. K. LeBoeuf chides you!

Sincerely,

HAROLD WEISBERG