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D.C. Aide, 'Political Spy' Link

WASHINGTON — (AP) — A California lawyer allegedly engaged in sabotage against the Democrats apparently made a telephone call to President Nixon's appointments secretary within minutes of being informed he was being investigated by the Washington Post, the newspaper said today.

Records of credit telephone calls show, the Post said, that a call was placed to the home of the appointments secretary, Dwight Chapin, at 4:54 p.m. Sept. 30, less than 30 minutes after the attorney, Donald H. Segretti, learned that a reporter wanted to talk to him.

The newspaper said the

call was one of four apparently made by Segretti two to Chapin's home and two to the White House switchboard.

All of the calls, the Post said, were charged to the credit card of Lawrence Young, a California attorney who is a friend of Segretti.

Young said yesterday that the calls could have been made only by Segretti.

The paper said it could not be learned who Segretti talked to in the four conversations or from where the long-distance calls were made.

On Oct. 15, the Post reported that Chapin acted as a contact for Segretti's alleged sabotage campaign. Time magazine also reported that Chapin and another White House aide, Gordon Strachan, hired Segretti to disrupt the campaigns of Democratic presidential candidates.