

A \$100,000 Loan To Donald Nixon



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DONALD NIXON, the president's likeable, loquacious, wheeler dealer brother, got a \$100,000 personal loan from a California builder at a time when the builder was seeking federal business.

This is the second substantial loan which Donald Nixon has wangled from government contractors. In late 1956, while his brother was vice president, Donald secured a \$205,000 loan from billionaire defense contractor Howard Hughes.

Our disclosure for the Hughes loan became a major issue in Richard Nixon's defeats for President in 1960 and governor of California in 1962.

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NOW WE HAVE learned that Donald received a \$100,000 check, dated August 4, 1971, from Lloyd Hallamore; then president of Hallamore Homes, Inc.

Securities and Exchange Commission records show that in July, 1971, Donald was also appointed a director of a closely affiliated Hallamore firm, San-Bar Electronics Corp.

My associate, George Clifford, infiltrated a Hallamore meeting in July, 1971, and heard Donald Nixon boast of his efforts to get contracts to build Hallamore homes.

The firm wound up a few months later with a \$4,721,000 subcontract to construct modular homes at 18 Air Forces bases. But the firm's president, Harold Anderson, who is also Lloyd Hallamore's son-in-law, denied that Don Nixon had anything to do with arranging the Air Force contract.

Reluctantly conceding that a \$100,000 personal loan had been made, Anderson insisted to us: "The loan had absolutely nothing to do with the operation of Hallamore, Inc." The \$100,000, he also swore, has been repaid.

Meanwhile, we have discovered that President Nixon's former aide, John Ehrlichman, personally checked on the Hallamore firm because of Don Nixon's investment. Ehrlichman traveled with presidential pal Bebe Rebozo to make a quiet survey of the Hallamore operations in California at about the time Don Nixon got the loan.

We wrote about Don's dealings with the Hallamores but never learned until now about the \$100,000 loan. Its exact purpose still remains a mystery.

Footnote: Don Nixon and Lloyd Hallamore could not be reached for comment.

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ENIGMATIC ENVOY: U.S. Ambassador to Trinidad and Tobago Lloyd Miller failed to inform the Senate Foreign Relations Committee when he was confirmed that he was involved in two ugly civil suits. They charge that the Cincinnati businessman, who has no diplomatic experience but contributed \$36,000 to Nixon campaigns, has misused corporate funds and breached his corporate duty.

Miller's lawyer, himself a defendant in one suit, claims it's all a "personal vendetta" by company dissidents. Miller refused to speak to us.