

'68 Donation To Nixon Is Disputed

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CHICAGO, Oct. 1 (AP)—
The Chicago Daily News said today that a \$75,000 contribution allegedly made in 1968 by Anthony G. Angelos to President Nixon's campaign was returned four years later.

Angelos, 47, who was a center of controversy when Gov. Daniel Walker nominated him to be state insurance director, said he knew nothing about the contribution.

The Daily News quoted Devan L. Shumway, a spokesman for the Committee for the Re-election of the President, as saying of the alleged refund: "I don't have any explanation for it."

Angelos told the Daily News, "I didn't give to Nixon in 1968. I don't know why it (the refund) is down there."

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The Daily News said that in May 1969 Angelos admitted he gave money to Mr. Nixon's 1968 campaign but declined to say how much. At the time, Angelos was reported in line for the post of U.S. ambassador to Greece.

The refund was included in 276 pages of itemized expenditures made in 1971 and 1972 by the Committee for the Re-election of the President. The expenditures were filed Friday in a Washington, D.C. court in connection with a suit filed by Common Cause, a citizens' lobby.

The Daily News said the expenditures list showed a refund was made to Angelos in January 1972.

Angelos, a banker, real estate investor and restaurant owner, was under investigation by the Illinois Liquor Commission for allegedly violating a state law prohibiting anyone who has a license to sell liquor from making political contributions.

Angelos reportedly gave \$50,000 to Gov. Walker's campaign but Walker said the money was a loan. Angelos withdrew from consideration as state insurance director after newspaper disclosures of the alleged contribution.