

Political Influence Allegations Viewed As 'Utterly False'

In another effort to repair President Nixon's credibility with the American people, the White House yesterday released two lengthy papers defending the President's actions in the ITT and milk price controversies dealing with 1972 re-election campaign contributions.

In 17 single-spaced pages on the milk case and eight on the ITT matter made public at the White House here and the Western White House in San Clemente, the administration again labeled allegations of political influence as "utterly false."

The papers constituted the latest step in what has come to be known as "Operation Candor"—an attempt to restore public confidence.

In the ITT paper, the White House contended that Mr. Nixon in April, 1971, had ordered that a pending appeal be dropped in a massive antitrust case against ITT without knowledge of any ITT commitment to make a contribution to the Republican National Convention.

In the milk paper, the White House acknowledged that the President knew in advance of granting a milk price support increase in March, 1971, that the dairy industry intended to raise money for his 1972 campaign. But the paper contended that congressional and economic pressures were the determining factors in the price rise.