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## Governor Denies Ties To Marcello's Calls

BATON ROUGE (AP)—Gov. John McKeithen said today an unnamed appointed official in state government who reportedly received calls from the telephone of a New Orleans racket figure was not connected with his office.

McKeithen's statement came in response to a report by East Baton Rouge Parish Dist. Atty. Sargent Pitcher on telephone calls from Carlos Marcello's number to the state Capitol.

Pitcher reported that two state officials, one elected and one appointed, received "legitimate" telephone calls from the number.

State Supt. of Education William Dodd later told newsmen that some of the calls came to his office and dealt with admission of a student to a state college.

McKeithen's statement said the remaining calls were "not to anyone in state government over whom I have appointive

authority or any of their subordinates."

McKeithen had asked Pitcher to investigate the telephone calls 10 months ago when Life Magazine charged in a story that Aubrey Young, then an aide to the governor, received calls from Marcello's Jefferson Parish motel.

Pitcher's report said Young twice spoke to Marcello from the state Capitol but added that no wrongdoing was attached to either conversation.

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