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Lindsay Regrets Seconding Agnew

New York

Mayor John V. Lindsay said yesterday that he regrets having seconded the nomination of Spiro Agnew as Vice President at the 1968 Republican convention.

He also said he disagrees with Agnew's approach to politics. He charged the Vice President appealed to the nation's "lesser instincts" in his recent attacks on students and the press.

"I don't think the rhetoric of the administration is as lofty as it ought to be," Lindsay said.

Asked whether he now regrets seconding the nomination of the then Maryland Governor, Lindsay smiled and said, "Yes."

Lindsay appeared on the NBC radio and television program, "Meet the Press."

Lindsay also urged the Nixon Administration to impose wage and price controls for the next six months to stem inflation.

"I think we ought to have them as soon as possible," Lindsay said. "We are getting killed by inflation. In the city of New York we're feeling it in a most terrible fashion."

The Mayor also attacked the Nixon Administration for contributing to an atmosphere of repression. "Right now the country is in trouble and the administration in Washington has played an unfortunate role," Lindsay said.

In recent months the Mayor has come under criticism from the Vice President,

mainly for opposition to the war in Vietnam and the incursions into Cambodia.

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