GAO Asks About Humphrey's Gifts

Washington

The General Accounting Office has asked the Justic Department to look into corporate contributions to Senator Hubert H. Humphrey's 1972 Campaign for President, a GAO report said yesterday.

Comptroller General Elmer B. Staats also asked the Justice Department to take appropriate action on the Humphrey committee's failure to 'm'roe promptly" disclose \$455,732 in contributions and \$420,236 in expenses.

An audit by the federal elections commission disclosed \$1900 in contributions from six corporations to two local committees in Califor-

nia.

A commission report said in three instances an individual had reimbursed the corporations. In the other three cases, the Humphrey committee refunded the contributions when it learned of them through the audit.

The names of the corporations were not disclosed.

The report said the Humphrey committee has, during the past four to five months, gone to considerable expense and trouble to make its reports on contributions and expenses more complete and accurate but added that the disclosures should have been made prior to the convention in 1972, not in the summer of 1973.

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