

To the Editor:

Representative Bella Abzug has suggested that President Nixon's use of Federal funds for improvements on his private estates may be an impeachable offense. The Constitution (Article I Section 1) quite clearly states that a President shall not receive, during the period for which he has been elected, "any other emolument from the United States" beyond "a compensation, which shall neither be increased or diminished" during that term.

An emolument, by dictionary definition, is profit arising from office. Has not the President violated this section of the Constitution he has sworn to uphold, and, having done so, is he not subject to impeachment on this constitutional ground alone?

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