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Indictment ignores misuse of the Capital Athletic Foundation

Indictment of illicit dealings of CAF all along, philanthropic watchdog charges

WASHINGTON-NCRP Executive Director Rick Cohen declared Jack Abramoff's plea agreement announced today.

"Abramoff may have copped a plea that acknowledges his personal tax evasion, but the biggest element of the case is the misuse of the Capital Athletic Foundation (CAF) for personal gain."

For the past two years, alone among national philanthropic nonprofits, NCRP has detailed and denounced the CAF's misdeeds.

According to NCRP, the CAF used only a pittance of its nearly \$4 million in philanthropic grants and expenses for the foundation's stated purpose.