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Five Congressmen have formed an ad hoc investigating committee to look into evidence of wrongdoing by Congressmen and their employees, and to see that the information is brought to the attention of the proper authorities.

Formation of the Committee was announced today by Representatives Robert Dole (R-Kan.), John Anderson, (R-Ill.), Steven Derounian (R-N.Y.), Glenard P. Lipscomb (R-Calif.) and William C. Cramer (R-Fla.).

Formation of the committee was dictated, according to Rep. Dole, by the "pressing need to restore the integrity of Congress in the public's mind. We have sat by too long while a small handful of wayward members or their staff assistants have given the entire body a black eye through their unethical or illegal conduct."

The purpose of the committee is to receive any information on such activities by current or former Congressmen or their staff members, to assist in the investigation of the incidents reported, and to refer the information to the proper House committees.

More than 35 Congressmen have introduced a resolution directing the House Administration Committee to investigate "any financial or business interests or any illegal or immoral or improper activities, involving the giving and receiving of campaign funds under questionable circumstances," of any present or former Congressmen or Congressional employees. The resolution now rests in the House Rules Committee.

Rep. Dole said the timeliness of the committee's organization has been heightened by the unsuccessful windup of the Bobby Baker hearings by the Senate Rules and Administration Committee.

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"The abortive action of the committee's majority in choking off the Baker investigation in the face of still-mounting evidence of impropriety, reinforces our conviction that it is high time to take some direct action," Rep. Cramer said. "We have got to clean up the House side of Congress at least, before the situation here can be whitewashed as it was in the Senate."

Members of the committee are for the most part veteran investigators. Four of them are attorneys; Rep. Lipscomb is an accountant. Reps. Dole and Cramer are former county attorneys and Rep. Anderson is a former States Attorney.

The Committee has established an office and will have a small staff available to receive information and assist in investigating it.

Rep. Anderson urged all citizens "who are interested in clean government" to deliver any pertinent information to the committee staff. He also pointed out that the committee will accept contributions toward its slim operating funds. The committee's telephone number is 546-5410.

The committee listed some 30 areas of possible investigation. Foremost among them are the publicized extra-curricular activities of William N. McLeod, Jr., former Chief Clerk of the House District Committee, and many still-unanswered questions about the contract for the D. C. Stadium, the Rayburn House Office Building, vending machine contracts on Capitol Hill, and other areas opened up by the Baker investigation.

While all the members of the ad hoc group are Republicans, Rep. Anderson pointed out that the group's formation is "decidedly not a partisan movement. We welcome the support of everyone who wants to help clean house. That includes Democrats as well as Republicans."

**BIOGRAPHIES OF MEMBERS OF
AD HOC INVESTIGATING COMMITTEE**

John B. Anderson, 16th District of Illinois; Rockford, Illinois; age 42; A.B. AND J.D. degrees from the University of Illinois, L.L.B. degree from Harvard Law School; served on the faculty of Northeastern University School of Law, Boston Mass.; World War II service in field artillery; including 10 months in Europe; member of the United States Department Career Diplomatic Service in 1952; Adviser on the staff of the U.S. High Commissioner for Germany; States Attorney of Winnebago County, 1956-60; elected to the 87th and 88th Congresses.

William C. (Bill) Cramer, 12th District of Florida, born Denver, Colorado, age 41, present home St. Petersburg, Florida; graduated Phi Beta Kappa University of North Carolina; graduated Harvard Law School; World War II service as Lt. (j.g.), including participation in invasion of southern France; Florida State legislature (1950-52); County Attorney for Pinellas County (1953-54). Member of 84th, 85th, 86th, 87th and 88th Congresses.

Steven B. Derounian, 3rd District of New York, born Sofia, Bulgaria, 46 years old, present residence Roslyn, Nassau County, New York; B.A. New York University, LLB Fordham Law School; World War II service in infantry including two years overseas. (Decorated Purple Heart, Bronze Star with oak leaf cluster). Practices law in New York State, elected to 83rd, 84th, 85th, 86th, 87th, and 88th Congresses.

Robert J. Dole, 1st District of Kansas, born Russell, Kansas; age 40; undergraduate work at University of Kansas and University of Arizona, L.L.B. from Washburn University; World War II service in infantry in Italy with 10th Mountain Division, wounded twice and was hospitalized 39 months; awarded Bronze Star with cluster for heroic achievement; member of Kansas State legislature (1951); four terms as Russell County (1953-61); elected to 87th and 88th Congresses.

Glenard P. Lipscomb, 24th District of California, born Jackson, Michigan; age 49; present residence Los Angeles, California; University of Southern California and Woodbury College; World War II service in Finance Corps, U.S. Army; former senior partner in Los Angeles Public Accountancy firm of Lipscomb, Hahn, and Brown; served four terms in California State Legislature; elected to 83rd, 84th, 85th, 86th, 87th and 88th Congresses.