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HOUSE AND SENATE DEMOCRATIC PANELS TO HOLD OVERSIGHT HEARING ON NATIONAL SECURITY CONSEQUENCES OF DISCLOSING THE IDENTITY OF A COVERT INTELLIGENCE OFFICER

WASHINGTON, D.C. — The Democratic Special Investigations Division of the Government Reform Committee and the Senate Democratic Policy Committee will conduct a joint hearing at 10:00 a.m., Friday, July 22, to examine the national security implications of disclosing the identity of a covert intelligence officer. The hearing will be co-chaired by Rep. Henry A. Waxman (D-CA), Ranking Member of the House Government Reform Committee, and Sen. Byron Dorgan (D-ND), Senate DPC Chairman.

The panel of witnesses will include former intelligence officers who discuss the impact of such disclosures, based on decades of experience and service to our country on intelligence and national security matters.

Details on Friday's hearing follow:

WHO: *Members of Congress:* Rep. Henry A. Waxman (D-CA), Sen. Byron Dorgan (D-ND), Sen. Harry Reid (D-NV), Rep. Rush Holt (D-NJ), Rep. Louise McIntosh Slaughter (D-NY), Rep. Jay Inslee (D-WA) and other House and Senate members.

Witnesses will include:

W. Patrick Lang — former Defense Intelligence Officer for the Defense Intelligence Agency

Larry Johnson — former CIA analyst

Jim Marcinkowski — former CIA case officer

David McMichael — former CIA case officer

Mel Goodman — former senior CIA analyst

WHAT: Oversight hearing on the impact of disclosing the identity of a covert intelligence officer

WHEN: 10:00 a.m., Friday, July 22, 2005

WHERE: Dirksen 138

WHY: To examine the national security consequences of disclosing the identity of a covert intelligence officer.