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Sen. Long Offers Apology For Incident in Restaurant

WASHINGTON (AP) — Sen. Russell B. Long of Miss. has apologized to two Connecticut policewomen after a bumping incident in a downtown Washington restaurant last week. The apology took place in the office of Sen. Thomas H. Dodd, D-Conn., Friday. Dodd also confirmed yesterday his connection with an incident which occurred the night of Oct.

10. Long said that a woman came up behind him. The congressman said he did not see any of the women struck, and the Dodd aide said the women did not complain of being struck. The women declined to discuss the incident.

Long was reported traveling in Louisiana and unavailable for comment.

A Dodd spokesman identified the women as Ann Lacey of the Groton, Conn., police department and Patricia Graves of the Manchester, Conn., department, members of a group here for training at the Bureau of Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs.

Sen. Long apologized to the ladies for the bumping or brushing incident whatever it was, said the Dodd aide. He offered to pay any dry-cleaning bills. The apology was offered and accepted. It was a very pleasant and amicable meeting.

Rep. Robert H. Michel, R-Ill., said he had just joined the table at which several policewomen were sitting in the restaurant when he got his brush on the back of the head and lurched forward and a couple of glasses broke.

Michel said the brush was