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NEW YORK AP - Harold S. Geneen, chairman and president of International Telephone & Telegraph Corp., repeated Friday that the company's only commitment to the GOP convention in San Diego was to contribute up to \$200,000 under certain conditions. Geneen issued a statement in

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reply to comments by Sen. John Tunney, D-Calif., about a newspaper interview by Rep. Bob Wilson, R-Calif.

Tunney released a transcript of the Wilson interview in which Wilson was said to have quoted Geneen as saying that ITT guaranteed up to \$400,000.

Geneen testified before the Senate Judiciary Committee that the commitment was only \$200,000, although he conceded that larger figures might have been mentioned in preliminary talks.

In his statement, Geneen reiterated that the pledge of up to \$200,000 was made in a telegram addressed to the San Diego Convention and Visitors Bureau, "and sent to that bureau in care of Congressman Wilson at his request so that there could be no confusion at all on what the final commitment was prior to any site selection."

"The testimony given before the Senate Judiciary Committee brings this out clearly," Geneen continued. "The testimony also bears out that there were other general figures discussed at earlier stages largely in terms of services, before there were any realistic expectations that the convention might go to San Diego, normally not a large convention city, and before any review was made by Sheraton of the economics of what would be a proper business transaction on which it could earn income.

"Obviously, there could not be any guarantee by anyone representing ITT except within these conditions and that is exactly why Mr. Wilson requested the telegram and what Sheraton's telegram represented.

"Sheraton expected to be a beneficiary of having the convention in San Diego and made its commitment to the San Diego Convention and Visitors Bureau after a study which indicated that the business generated for its new hotel by the convention would in all likelihood offset the expense of its promotional pledge."

The transcript released by Tunney quoted Wilson as saying ITT lobbyist Dita Beard wrote a memo, later revealed by columnist Jack Anderson, that linked ITT's financial commitment to the Republican National Convention and an out-of-court settlement of antitrust suits against ITT.

Mrs. Beard has denied under oath that she wrote the memo released by Anderson.

Wilson, meanwhile, asserted that an account of the interview published Thursday was inaccurate.

"I did not say in that interview nor have I ever said that there was a link between the GOP convention guarantee by ITT and the settlement of its antitrust case," Wilson said in a telegram to Sen. James O. Eastland, chairman of the Senate Judiciary Committee.

Tunney, however, said the transcript "certainly is probative evidence that the memo is genuine" and said it warranted further investigation by the committee into the ITT controversy.

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