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**Shirley Chisholm Facing  
U.S. Inquiry Into 3 Areas**

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WASHINGTON, Nov. 15—Representative Shirley Chisholm, the Brooklyn Democrat who in 1972 became the first woman to seek the Presidential nomination of a major party, is the target of Federal investigations into three areas of alleged wrongdoing, law enforcement sources said today.

"They're just fishing expeditions," Mrs. Chisholm said, when asked about the investigations. "It's because of who I am in America—unbought and unbosessed."

She has told political colleagues, however, that she was fearful of a Federal indictment. Mrs. Chisholm declined to say what agency was investigating her, but it was believed to be an administrative agency rather than the Justice Department.

"Other people also are being investigated," Mrs. Chisholm said, referring to public servants whom she declined to name.

#### 'Still Paying Bills'

The central investigation, The New York Times learned, involves the possible misuse of a \$23,000 surplus in Mrs. Chisholm's Congressional campaign. The surplus was discovered by Federal auditors last July, eight months after Election Day, Mrs. Chisholm said. Neither she nor law enforcement agencies would discuss the other two areas under investigation.

Mrs. Chisholm said that the campaign surplus was merely temporary and existed because all of the bills had not been paid. Since then, she said, the bills have come in, and the surplus has been wiped out.

"It was not a professional campaign operation," she said.

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"I'm still paying bills."

"My husband said to me, 'Shirley, keep your mouth shut,'" Mrs. Chisholm said. Conrad Chisholm is his wife's principal adviser as an unpaid aide.

"I don't want to talk about it," she continued. "I expected it. People are fishing for Shirley Chisholm. They're running me down. But I'm not the only one."

Philip L. Rothchild, public affairs director for the Internal Revenue Service, said that "we cannot comment on anybody's tax affairs."

Mrs. Chisholm is the third Brooklyn Democrat in the House to be the subject of a Federal investigation. The others, Representative Bertram L. Podell and Representative Frank J. Brasco, have been indicted and are awaiting trial on charges arising from alleged conflicts of interest.

Mrs. Chisholm, the first black woman in Congress, was born in Barbados in 1924, attended public schools in Brooklyn and received a bachelor of arts degree from Brooklyn College and a master's from Columbia University. She was a nursery-school teacher before serving four years in the State Assembly. In 1968, she was elected to Congress from the Bedroord-Stuyvesant district.

Some political colleagues related the investigation to Mrs. Chisholm's statement last July that she planned to retire from elective politics "definitely by 1976." Mrs. Chisholm said that time that her planned retirement reflected her frustrations with what she considered to be the ineffectiveness of Congress. She said that she wanted to establish a political institute in Washington to be affiliated with several universities here.

#### Paid \$22,000 in Taxes

Mrs. Chisholm, who earned \$30,419 in lecture fees last year—more than any other member of Congress—said today that she had paid \$22,000 in income taxes last year.

She also said that she had contributions received from corporate contributors after the General Accounting Office informed her of the illegality of accepting such contributions.

Mrs. Chisholm, who is one of the best-dressed women on Capitol Hill and has built a lavish house in the Virgin Islands, created a furor in Congress by rejecting an assignment on the agriculture Committee, observing that "apparently all they know here in Washington about Brooklyn is that a tree grew there."