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Tax chief says he didn't slow 'Haven' probe

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Washington - The head of the Internal Revenue Service says a group of people is bent on discrediting the IRS and its commissioner.

Donald Alexander, in an interview he requested with the Examiner after its series of articles*on Project Haven, identified a congressional committee staffer [Larry Ross, counsel to House Ways and Means oversight subcommittee] as "the chief proponent" of the alleged smear campaign.

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[Present at the intv were several members of the IRS. Story includes detailed presentation of charges against the IRS, the replies by those interviewed.]

*Not in file.