

which they are refusing, on every one. It seems to me that you want to lay down the——

Mr. PATMAN. Yes; but where they just say, "pertinency," why the——

Mr. IRWIN. Except he has answered about nine times and only said "pertinency" twice.

Mr. PATMAN. That is right; if that is all the answer he wants to give, it is all right.

Mr. IRWIN. Except there are some answers that he hasn't given the grounds for at all.

Mr. PATMAN. That is the only answer that he has given.

Mr. IRWIN. Except that on every single response I would think, Mr. Chairman——

Mr. PATMAN. I would think from his standpoint he would want to do that, but if he doesn't want to do that, why he is restricted to that one.

Mr. IRWIN. I guess we can assume every response has been "pertinency"; is that correct?

Mr. RAY. You may assume that, Mr. Irwin.

Mr. CORMAN. Mr. Chairman, it seems to me that it is such a simple matter to establish the pertinency that perhaps he would be persuaded if the Chairman restated that, because it is so clear, it is pertinent.

Mr. PATMAN. The way I construe it, Mr. Corman, if he wants to rely upon that himself, as an attorney representing his client, that is his privilege to do so.

Mr. CORMAN. Yes.

Mr. PATMAN. And he is restricting himself, and it is not my duty to try to enlarge it to help him.

Mr. RAY. I will state the grounds upon which I object, Mr. Chairman. As you know, I have appeared as representative for Mr. Hayes and Mr. Walsh before this distinguished subcommittee. My clients appeared pursuant to subpoena and testified on four occasions, October 30, October 31, November 6 and 7, 1967. My clients have responded under protest to many of the subcommittee's questions and produced certain records of organizations with which they were associated. Unfortunately, this subcommittee has failed to reciprocate my efforts, or my clients' efforts, at cooperation.

Mr. PATMAN. Is that your statement? Whose statement is that?

Mr. RAY. This is my statement, Mr. Patman.

Mr. PATMAN. Your statement. You are not reading the statement of Mr. Hayes?

Mr. RAY. I am reading my statement.

Mr. PATMAN. Your statement, yes. Well, get right down to the point as to the objection.

Mr. RAY. Mr. Hayes and I and Mr. Walsh have repeatedly asked the subcommittee to disclose the text of the resolution or other document authorizing it to conduct the present investigation. The subcommittee has refused to comply with this request. Accordingly, I am unable to determine whether the subcommittee is properly authorized or whether in questions put to me and my clients, and documents demanded, bear any relevancy to an authorized subject of inquiry.

I was tendered House Resolution 53. However, that resolution is so vague and indefinite as to be of no aid. Furthermore, a supplementary written grant of authority from the select committee to the subcommit-