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WASHINGTON---Senator Christopher J. Dodd, D-Conn., is the subject of the C-SPAN interview program "An American Profile" slated for repeat transmissions on the national public affairs cable television network over the Memorial Day weekend.

The one-hour interview is scheduled to run May 29 at 8 a.m. and 6 p.m. EDT, and May 30 at 12 a.m. EDT, on C-SPAN Channel 1; in addition, it is expected to be played on an unscheduled basis over the weekend on C-SPAN Channel 2.

C-SPAN interviews some 10 national political figures each year for "An American Profile" -- unedited one-to-one discussions with a network host that offer a more thorough than usual look at a subject's political aims, instincts and concerns.

The interview with Senator Dodd is conducted by C-SPAN host Bruce Collins.

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Excerpts from a C-SPAN "American Profile" interview with Senator Christopher Dodd (D-CT), which airs Monday, May 29 at 8am, 6pm, and midnight ET.

On The Senate Agenda for 101st Congress:

Sen. Dodd: "In the Senate, I think things are moving along at a good pace. What has happened is that no one anticipated that things would move along as quickly as they did. If you had said, here are three or four things I want to do in the first session of the 101st Congress: I want to resolve the differences on Central America; I want to come up with a program that will deal with the crisis of the thrift industry in this nation; I want to come up with a budget that Republicans, Democrats, and the White House can get together on. We're going to have a crisis in Panama that is going to be dealing with, we're going to have an FSX sale with the Japanese that we've got to resolve, and I said, can you give me some time indication how long it would take to do all these things, I don't think if you'd asked a single member of Senate in January that question, not a single one of them would have had a date any earlier than July, possibly August, when we could have completed that agenda. Here we are in the middle of May, and that agenda is complete."

On the Tower Nomination:

Sen. Dodd: "I think there's a tendency to inflate the significance of (those situations) in the context of a session of Congress. Yes, the Tower battle was bitter...and there were all sorts of editorials and news analyses that said it will be months before (the Senate) will be able to work out anything else. Within a couple of weeks, we had the Central American accord and budget process done. It just didn't spill over. I haven't heard the subject discussed by a single colleague of mine in two months. So I think there's a tendency to inflate dramatically the significance of these, and then assume it's going to leach into every debate and discussion the Senate engages in for a period of weeks or months, and it just doesn't happen. I think basically that was true of my dad's day as well, maybe less so. And as far as looking at personal lives, this is something that happens to everybody it seems, whether you're in business, the clergy, or reporters. I don't like to see it, where

we pay so much attention to personal ethics, and so little attention to political ethics, in the sense of, are we paying enough attention to a helluva percentage of our population that is homeless? We rank 19th in the world in infant mortality. There's a certain amount of immorality in that, in my view. While John Tower's drinking habits may be important, I would feel a lot better if even people would spend an equal amount of time discussing the question of infant mortality, of children growing up in poverty, or the homelessness problem, or AIDS, or the quality of our education. So, it's important to have these issues come up from time to time about personal lives of people, but when they dominate the political debate, at the exclusion of other questions that really go to the very fiber of our country, then I think we miss something."

On children as a public policy issue:

Sen. Dodd: "I really think it's the central question. I don't minimize the importance of environmental issues, of labor questions, of tax issues. But this nation has historically recognized, almost intuitively, that its success would ultimately depend upon the kind of investment we've made in children, because they obviously would inherit a system of government that required hard work, an understanding of those values, an ability to become educated and competitive, and to fend for themselves. So, to me, it's a hub issue. I worry less whether or not this country will effectively deal with trade questions and tax issues and the environment, if I know that the generation that will be responsible for addressing those questions has the tools to do so. If they don't have the tools to do so, I don't care how great an idea someone else may have, I worry deeply about whether or not we'll ever address those issues properly. So, in the moment in time you get to be a senator, whether it ends tomorrow or next week, I've got this small window in time in which I get a chance to make maybe a little bit of a difference. And you pick the subject areas where you think you can have the greatest impact on your country in a positive sense. And to me, that's children."

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Excerpts from a C-SPAN "American Profile" interview with Senator John McCain (R-AZ) which airs Monday, May 29 at 9am and 7pm ET, and Tuesday, May 30 at 1am ET.

On Presidential Ambitions:

Sen. McCain: "Frankly, I have no interest. I think my job is to follow a truly great American, Barry Goldwater, who changed the face of politics in America. I think I have a tough job following in his footsteps, number one, and number two, I'm really not interested in spending a year or so in Iowa or New Hampshire, attractive as those states may be, coming from a state like Arizona, which I find singularly attractive. I'd like to establish a reputation as a serious legislator. That's been my job and that's what I'd like to achieve. To think about the presidency would not be appropriate, certainly at this time."

On Being a former POW:

Sen. McCain: "It was clearly helpful (to get elected) that I had served and the fact that I had been in prison. It's also one, given them expectations about my performance that I think may be higher than others, and I think they were right to expect that. I also have tried very, very hard not to be the POW congressman or POW senator. I'm the senator from Arizona...and that's why I usually avoid talking about or mentioning or ever involving myself in any debate where I refer to the fact that I was in Vietnam. One, it's not fair, and second of all, I don't want to be known as that. I want to be known as the guy that was involved in Indian issues, I want to be the person who was involved in telecommunications issues. I want to be known as a lot of things, not as the 'POW senator,' and sometimes I have trouble getting away from that...A lot of people now say, 'Oh, you were in Vietnam' when it used to be that that was always the first topic. I've never had a flashback, I've never had a nightmare, I've never had a problem psychologically or any other way with my Vietnam experience, but I get bored talking about it. I was encouraged a couple of summers ago. I was going down the Colorado in a raft, and a young man said,

'Did they give you cigarettes in prison? and I said, 'Well, occasionally, they did.' And the guy rowing the boat looked at me and said, 'Senator, you were in prison?' And I said, 'Yes, I was. I embezzled a little money.' And finally the next day, the guy said, 'Tell me, how could you go to prison, and still be a senator?' So, there is some hope that there's a generation of Americans that don't necessarily, automatically identify me with the Vietnam war."

On the Mood of Washington:

Sen. McCain: "The media always exaggerates a little bit, but the atmosphere is not good around here. The Wright thing exacerbates it, the Tower situation exacerbated it over here, and I think if we don't look out, we're going to lose sight of what our jobs are here, and that is to be involved in the legislative process and the process of government, rather than character assassination and judging one another guilty or not guilty of ethics violations. I hasten to add that does not mean we shouldn't have a high standard of ethics and behavior here, a higher standard than other citizens, but we also have an obligation to work together, and to be involved in the process of government. And I'm afraid we're not doing that now. That disturbs me. Is it in my interest as a Republican to see this Wright thing drag out? Sure it is, as a Republican from a partisan viewpoint. But I want to see it over with as soon as possible so we can get back to the business at hand because it's not good for the country. And let me add one other thing to that: When John Tower's reputation is sullied, when Jim Wright's is, when other congressmen and senators get in trouble, it always rubs off on me. I am tarred by the brush. If one or more get in trouble or are guilty of this type of thing, then it tarnishes our reputation. The image of elected officials is affected in the minds of the American people. And frankly, many Americans don't know if Jim Wright is a Republican or Democrat. They do know he is Speaker of the House, the number one position in American politics. So, I'm sorry that it's happened, and I hope it's over as soon as possible, however it turns out."

On Scrutiny of Media:

Sen. McCain: "I think that's part of what you assume when you assume public office...I do believe we're having trouble getting qualified young men and

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women to stand for public office. I have heard of several examples of people who are imminently qualified, highly desirable people who have turned down opportunities to serve in Department of Defense and in a couple of other places. I think we have seen a dramatic increase in negative campaigning that's very de-motivating to young men and women and we've got to stop it. How do we stop it? Don't vote for people who engage in negative campaigns, it's that simple."

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Monday, May 29 (Memorial Day Observed)

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