On April 24, 1963, the Senate Committee on Government Operations Subcommittee C held its first public hearing on the investigation of Dr. Sam Sheppard's death. The Subcommittee was established on April 18, 1963, to investigate the circumstances surrounding the murder of his wife, Marilyn Sheppard, and to determine whether there was a need for legislation to ensure the公正 enforcement of the laws of each State with respect to the prosecution of defendants in other States.

The Subcommittee's investigation was intended to be non-partisan and to seek the truth, not to draw political conclusions. The Subcommittee was composed of Senators from all political parties and from various regions of the country.

The Subcommittee was authorized to conduct its investigation on a non-partisan basis and to obtain any evidence necessary to its work. The Subcommittee was given wide discretion in conducting its investigation and was not subject to any limitation on the scope of its inquiry.

The Subcommittee was also given the authority to subpoena witnesses and documents necessary to its investigation. The Subcommittee was not required to report its findings to the Senate and was not subject to any time limits on its investigation.

The Subcommittee's investigation was widely considered to be thorough and to have contributed to the public's understanding of the events surrounding the murder of Marilyn Sheppard.