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WASHINGTON D.C. --- THIRTY MEMBERS OF CONGRESS FROM COAL PRODUCING DISTRICTS, TODAY DECIDED TO FORM THE "COAL GROUP", AS THE RESULT OF A MEETING CALLED BY WEST VIRGINIA'S FOURTH DISTRICT CONGRESSMAN NICK J. RAHALL.

CONGRESSMAN RAHALL CALLED THE MEETING BECAUSE OF THE DE-PRESSED NATURE OF THE COAL INDUSTRY NATION-WIDE, AND THE LACK OF A COHERENT COAL POLICY ON THE PART OF THE ADMINISTRATION.

"I AM PLEASED AT THE INITIAL INTEREST SHOWN BY MY COLLEAGUES,"
RAHALL SAID, " AND AM CONFIDENT THAT WE WILL BE ABLE TO JOIN
TOGETHER TO WORK TOWARD THE GOAL OF MAKING COAL A DOMINANT
LINK IN OUR NATION'S OVER-ALL ENERGY PICTURE."

RAHALL REPRESENTS THE FOURTH DISTRICT OF WEST VIRGINIA WHICH IS ONE OF THE LARGEST COAL PRODUCING REGIONS IN THE COUNTRY.

Some of the states represented in the coal group are: Ohio, Kentucky, Colorado, Alaska, Illinios, and Pennsylvania.