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Senator calls investigation into whether Murdoch papers hacked Americans' phones

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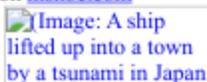
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LONDON — A senator has called for an investigation of News Corp. following the hacking scandal in the U.K., signaling the crisis could spread to the United States.

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Senator John Rockefeller, chairman of the committee on commerce, science and transportation, said phone hacking at News of the World raised "serious questions" about whether the newspaper's parent company had broken any U.S. laws.

"I am concerned that the admitted phone hacking in London by the News Corp. may have extended to 9/11 victims or other Americans," he said in a statement Tuesday. "If they did, the consequences will be severe."

Britain's Daily Mirror newspaper reported Monday that News of the World journalists had offered to pay a New York police officer to retrieve the private phone records of victims of the September 11, 2001, attacks.

Story: Hacking scandal threatens Murdoch's global empire Citing an unidentified source, the newspaper said journalists had wanted the phone numbers of the dead as well as details of the calls they had made and received in the days leading to the attacks.

The police officer, who now works as a private investigator, said at the time that he would turn down the request because of "how bad it would look," the source was quoted as saying.

So far, the scandal has largely been contained to the British business of Rupert