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BUSH RECOVERY

FOURTH QUARTER ECONOMIC GROWTH BEST IN FIVE YEARS; DON'T DERAIL RECOVERY WITH "POLITICAL STIMULUS"

ANNAPOLIS, MARYLAND -- Senate Republican Leader Bob Dole (R-Kansas) today issued the following statement regarding the Commerce Department's announcement that the U.S. economy grew at an annual rate of 4.8% in the fourth quarter of 1992, the best quarter of economic growth in five years. Dole was in Annapolis attending a Senate Republican retreat on health care policy.

"The quarter of most rapid economic growth in five years is further evidence the Bush recovery is well under way. Considering this good economic news, the last thing we need to do now is threaten the ongoing recovery by adding billions of dollars to the deficit with a so-called economic stimulus package, which is really nothing more than a political stimulus package."

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