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STATEMENT BY SENATOR BOB DOLE (R-KS)
ON PRESIDENT REAGAN'S PROPOSED BUDGET

"The President's budget proposal marks the starting point for work on a final product. While not everyone will agree with the Administration on its budget proposal, I hope we can avoid the annual rain-dance of criticism.

"Remember, it's easy to criticize and there's no shortage of critics around here. Responsibility, though, is scarce. So I would urge anyone in Congress who has a better idea to come forward.

"We don't have time to sit around wringing our hands and posturing in long-winded speeches. We have a deficit problem to solve, and we need to move forward with a plan that gets us there.

"The President has sent the right message - loud and clear - to America's taxpayers: No tax increases. I hope members of Congress get that message, too.

"I'm ready to work with the Administration and Democrats in Congress to put together a budget that reflects what the people want - sensible government spending, a continued commitment to our national security and an end to federal red ink."

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