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**STATEMENT OF SENATE MAJORITY LEADER GEORGE MITCHELL
AND REPUBLICAN LEADER BOB DOLE**

In anticipation of the upcoming meeting between President Clinton and Russian President Yeltsin, the leaders issued this statement to reaffirm their bipartisan support for Congressional review of legislation affecting the countries of the former Soviet Union:

We are pleased to be working with the Administration on an extensive review of the legislation affecting relations between the United States and the independent states of the former Soviet Union. The purpose of the review is to identify those provisions in law which do not reflect the new relationship and which might inhibit further progress in strengthening democracy and promoting economic cooperation.

The Congressional committees of jurisdiction will carefully review existing legislation and the proposed alterations. We will work with the Committees for a positive legislative process. The Administration expects to have a legislative package of suggested changes prepared for Congress during this session.

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