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PRESIDENT VISITS DOLE

THANKS SENATORS FOR DEFICIT REDUCTION SUPPORT

WASHINGTON - FOLLOWING THE SENATE'S EARLY MORNING APPROVAL OF A DEFICIT REDUCTION PACKAGE, PRESIDENT BUSH VISITED CAPITOL HILL TO THANK SENATE REPUBLICAN LEADER BOB DOLE (R-KANSAS) AND THE 22 OTHER GOP SENATORS INCLUDING SENATOR NANCY KASSEBAUM (R-KANSAS) WHO SUPPORTED THE BUDGET CUTTING PLAN.

"THIS WAS VERY NICE OF THE PRESIDENT TO COME UP AND SAY 'THANK YOU' PERSONALLY," DOLE SAID DURING THE PRESIDENTIAL MEETING IN HIS OFFICE. "WE APPRECIATE IT VERY MUCH."

"THAT'S EXACTLY WHAT I WANTED TO DO," THE PRESIDENT RESPONDED. "I SENSE A DETERMINATION TO GET THE NATION'S BUSINESS COMPLETED," BUSH ADDED.

THE PRESIDENT'S VISIT TO DOLE'S OFFICE CAME HOURS AFTER THE SENATE APPROVED 54-46 A PLAN TO SLASH THE BUDGET DEFICIT BY \$40 BILLION IN 1991 AND \$500 BILLION OVER THE NEXT FIVE YEARS. ALSO EARLIER TODAY, A HOUSE-SENATE CONFERENCE COMMITTEE BEGAN WORK ON RECONCILING THE DIFFERENCES IN THE BUDGET PLANS APPROVED BY BOTH HOUSES. SENATOR DOLE IS A MEMBER OF THE JOINT NEGOTIATING TEAM.

"THE BUDGET DEFICIT IS PUBLIC ENEMY NUMBER ONE," DOLE SAID. "IT'S TIME FOR CONGRESS TO GET THE JOB DONE."

PRESIDENT BUSH URGED BIPARTISAN SUPPORT DURING HIS MEETING IN DOLE'S OFFICE. "I SAY TO DEMOCRATS AND REPUBLICANS, PLEASE HEED WHAT YOUR LEADERSHIP IS SAYING NOW."

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