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SPENDING CUTS

SENATE'S \$13 BILLION RESCISSION PACKAGE GIVES PRESIDENT REAL OPPORTUNITY TO GET ON SPENDING CUTS BANDWAGON

President Clinton won big headlines today with his proposal to cut \$13 billion from four government agencies over the next five years. I've learned just recently maybe \$8 billion of that is already in the President's budget, so I'm not certain what the figure really is. But we certainly welcome the President's interest in trimming government spending. The Washington Post even suggested today that the President's interest may be related to last November's election results. Certainly, we hope he's hearing the message.

Now, the President has a real opportunity to get on the spending cuts bandwagon. Tomorrow, the Senate will consider more than \$13 billion in spending cuts, and the American people won't have to wait five years to see the savings. These are cuts in this fiscal year -- this is \$13 billion the government won't be able to spend during the next six months, not the next five years.

The American people want more than tinkering around the edges. They want dramatic results, and they want better use of their tax dollars, starting now.

The American people sent a loud and clear message to Washington last November: rein in the federal government, reduce the size of government, and cut spending. Senate Republicans are prepared to provide the leadership once again to turn that message into action. We hope the President will join us in this effort to give the American people real spending cuts.

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