

**Congress of the United States**  
Washington, DC 20515

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**JOINT STATEMENT OF  
SENATE MAJORITY LEADER BOB DOLE &  
HOUSE SPEAKER NEWT GINGRICH**

"We have asked to meet with President Clinton tomorrow to discuss fulfillment of the commitment he made 29 days ago to enact a seven-year balanced budget using nonpartisan Congressional Budget Office estimates.

"We do not view this as a negotiating session, but as an opportunity to discuss face-to-face the importance of getting a balanced budget agreement this year, and how we might achieve that goal."

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