March 26, 1990

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RE:

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yes no

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Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator Dole:

On behalf of the Board of Governors of the Electronic Industries Association, it is my pleasure to invite you to be our guest luncheon speaker at the Association's Annual Spring Conference, March 25-29, at the J.W. Marriott Hotel in Washington, D.C.

Tuesday, March 27th would be our preference for your appearance and we hope that this will accommodate your schedule. 393-2000

With approximately 350 senior electronics executives attending this particular luncheon, we believe the luncheon provides an excellent opportunity for you to address the issues of primary concern to our industry and the nation as a whole.

The Electronic Industries Association is the Washington based national trade association which represents the full spectrum of U.S. manufacturers in the \$255 billion a year electronic industry. Our members design, manufacture and market products from the smallest electronic pars to the most complex systems used in defense, space and industry.

We have reserved approximately 20 minutes for remarks followed by a brief question and answer period. For your information, the luncheon will begin at 12:30 p.m. and will be preceded by a reception at 12:00 noon. We would be most honored to have you join us for both.

I hope that you will be able to accept our invitation and look forward to hearing from you soon. If you need any additional information, please contact Mark Rosenker at

202/457-4980. 8 carried Mark Sen would do

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February 1, 1990

ELECTRONIC INDUSTRIES ASSOCIATION LUNCHEON

The Senator is requested to speak for approximately one-half hour at the Electronics a Industries Association's (EIA) luncheon on Tuesday, March 27, 1990, at the J.W. Marriott.

- The luncheon is from 12:00 noon to 2:00 p.m.
- Preferred time of speech is 1:00 p.m., but they are flexible within the 2-hour time slot.
- The audience will be made up of CEOs and top-level executives of electronic firms belonging to the EIA.

The Electronics Industries Association is a full-service national trade association representing the entire spectrum of electronic industries ranging from small companies manufacturing electronic components to major electronic firms (for example, Xerox, GTE, Rockwell International, Raytheon, Motorola).

The Electronics Industries Foundation (EIF) uses the capabilities of the electronic industries to find creative solutions to social problems, chief among them being the stimulation of employment opportunities for people with disabilities. To place people with disabilities into competitive employment, they operate 9 Projects with Industry offices across the country. Currently, there are more than 1600 companies and 773 community rehabilitation agencies participating in these programs.

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FOR SENATOR DOLE

- Mr. Rosenker (Head of Electronics Industry Association) and previously served as Deputy Press Secretary for President Ford.
- The Dole Foundation works closely with the Electronics Industry Foundation (EIF) which is part of the Electronics Industry Association and deals with disability issues. People from EIF are on advisory panels for Dole Foundation projects, and they work with Projects with Industry, a program model which we support.
- 3) They will offer a donation to the Foundation -- \$2,000.
- Senator Dole spoke to EIA before in DC at that meeting on Tuesday, April 10, 1984.
- 5) Audience: All industry people from all sectors of industry (350-400 people).
- Speaker of the House will be speaking at dinner.
- 7) Bush spoke last year (1989).
- 8) Reagan spoke the year before (1988).
- 9) Senator Dole would be the featured speaker of the conference.
 - Majority of audience interested in chief legislative issues of the day.

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MARCH 21, 1990

TO:

SENATOR DOLE

FROM:

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SUBJECT:

SPEECH TO ELECTRONIC INDUSTRIES ASSOCIATION

On Tuesday, March 27, 1990, you are the scheduled luncheon (and featured) speaker at the Annual Spring Conference of the Electronic Industries Association. You last spoke to this group in 1984. EIA members range from small component manufacturers to major firms, such as Xerox, Rockwell International and Motorola. Approximately 350 "senior electronics executives" will attend. Mark Rosenker will meet you.

EIA and its members have been active in aiding the disabled. The Electronics Industry Foundation sponsors programs to find competitive employment opportunities for people with disabilities which involve more than 1600 companies and 773 community agencies. (EIF representatives serve on advisory panels for the Dole foundation, and work with the Projects with Industry program.) In addition, many EIA companies have special divisions which manufacture "assistive" devices for the handicapped. They would like you to acknowledge these efforts.

EIA's featured speaker in 1988 was President Reagan; in 1989, it was President Bush. Before you at this Conference, the group will hear from Senator Hollings, Congressmen Markey, Bryant, Blily, and McCurdy (on defense issues), Dennis Klosky the Undersecretary in charge of COCOM negotiations at Commerce, the Vice Chairman of Eximbank and a representative from Gallaudet College. Speaker Foley will speak at dinner. On Wednesday, the group will hear from Senator Dixon and Ambassador Hills.

According to Greg and Barbara, the electronics industry relies on two solvents: CFC-113 and methyl chloroform which are affected by the clean air bill. CFC-113 is included under the Montreal protocol as an ozone-depleting chemical, but is subject to a faster phase out in the bill. Methyl chloroform may not be as ozone depleting, but its prevalence has led to controls.

The group is interested in your views on the major legislative issues: the budget, the peace dividend, the Rostenkowski plan, and Eastern Europe. They support capital gains, the r&d credit, a reasonable policy on defense cutbacks, funding for education, and reasonable COCOM standards on export controls (which allow American companies to furnish products that are readily available elsewhere).

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TALKING POINTS ELECTRONICS INDUSTRY ASSOCIATION

- O GOOD AFTERNOON.
- O THIS IS AN EXCITING TIME JUST TO BE ALIVE. IT

 SEEMS THAT EVERY ELECTION ADDS TO WORLD

 FREEDOM -- INSIDE THE SOVIET UNION, IN EASTERN

EUROPE AND AROUND THE WORLD. JUST WHEN YOU THINK YOU'VE SEEN IT ALL, IT TURNS OUT "YOU AIN'T SEEN NOTHING YET."

- O IT MAY BE THE WORLD WE'VE ALL BEEN WAITING FOR
 - -- THE COLLAPSE OF COMMUNISM AND THE

DISINTEGRATION OF THE "EVIL EMPIRE". BUT TO BE

CANDID: I'M NOT SURE IT'S A WORLD WE'RE

PREPARED TO DEAL WITH.

THE SOVIET UNION

O AND THESE LESSONS HAVE CERTAINLY NOT BEEN
LOST ON GORBACHEV. WHILE WE WANT HIM TO
SURVIVE AND, MOST IMPORTANTLY, TO CONTINUE ON
HIS CURRENT COURSE; NEITHER HE NOR ANY
SUCCESSOR COULD COMPLETELY REVERSE THE
EVENTS OF THE PAST SIX MONTHS. THE GENIE IS
OUT OF THE BOTTLE; THE SOVIET EMPIRE -- THE
WARSAW PACT -- IS DEAD.

- O NEVERTHLESS, TEMPTING AS IT IS TO LOOK FOR

 LARGE SAVINGS IN THE DEFENSE BUDGET, WE NEED

 TO MAINTAIN AN ORDERLY PROCESS. BEFORE WE

 BEGIN WITHDRAWING TROOPS FROM EUROPE, WE

 NEED A CONVENTIONAL FORCES AGREEMENT THAT

 IS MUTUAL AND VERIFIABLE.
- O AND THIS IS NOT THE TIME TO BEGIN WRITING

 CHECKS TO GORBACHEV AS CONGRESSMAN

 GEPHARDT HAS SUGGESTED. IF WE ARE TO HELP

GORBACHEV SUCCEED, WE SHOULD DEMAND THAT
THE SOVIETS QUIT POURING BILLIONS OF DOLLARS
OF MILITARY AID INTO TOTALITARIAN REGIMES SUCH
AS CUBA, SYRIA, ANGOLA AND THE PUPPET
GOVERNMENT IN AFGHANISTAN.

O SO MY RESPONSE IS: IF GORBACHEV NEEDS SOME READY CASH, HE CAN ASK FOR A REFUND FROM CASTRO, NOT A HAND-OUT FROM UNCLE SAM.

EASTERN EUROPE

O IN EASTERN EUROPE, THE PACE OF CHANGE HAS

BEEN BREATH-TAKING. SIX MONTHS AGO, AN

INDIVIDUAL'S CHANCES OF RISING TO POWER

DEPENDED ON HIS YEARS OF SERVICE TO THE PARTY;

NOW IT'S HIS YEARS IN A COMMUNIST JAIL.

- O I HAPPENED TO BE IN POLAND LAST SUMMER ON THE DAY THE MAZOWIECKI GOVERNMENT TOOK POWER.

 ONLY THREE OR FOUR PEOPLE IN THE ROOM HAD ANY EXPERIENCE IN GOVERNING. IT WAS LIKE SEEING OUR FOUNDING FATHERS. AND THIS IS THE SENIOR GOVERNMENT IN EASTERN FUROPE.
- O NOW THAT FREEDOM HAS WON, THE NEW

 DEMOCRACIES MUST PICK UP THE PIECES -
 POLITICALLY AND ECONOMICALLY. AND THEY CAN

 PROBABLY TEACH US SOME LESSONS.

O IN POLAND, I MET ANOTHER AMERICAN, JEFFREY
SACHS, WHO WAS ADVISING THE NEW GOVERNMENT
ON ECONOMIC MATTERS. HE TOLD THEM TO DO THE
TOUGH STUFF, LIKE ELIMINATING ALL FARM
SUBSIDIES, UP FRONT WHILE THEY HAD THE
SUPPORT OF THE PEOPLE. CLEARLY, THE AMERICAN
CONGRESS COULD USE SOME OF THIS ADVICE.

THE BUDGET PROCESS

- O I HAVE ALWAYS BELIEVED THAT A PRESIDENT HAS

 ONE CHANCE -- THE FIRST YEAR OF EACH TERM -- TO

 ENACT TOUGH PROGRAMS, LIKE THE FLEXIBLE

 FREEZE, TO DEAL WITH OUR BUDGET DEFICIT.
- O UNFORTUNATELY, AS YOU KNOW, LAST YEAR WE

 BASICALLY TOOK A WALK ON THE DEFICIT. WE SPENT

 10 MONTHS AND DEVOTED OVER 60% OF OUR ROLL

 CALL VOTES IN THE SENATE TO REDUCE THE DEFICIT

 BY ONLY \$16 BILLION.

- O THESE WERE NOT TOUGH VOTES. WE FOUND \$500

 MILLION IN LOST FOOD STAMPS; WE ACCELERATED

 MILITARY PAY DATES -- AND WE NEEDED FOUR

 MONTHS OF SEQUESTER ON TOP OF EVERYTHING

 ELSE.
- O THIS YEAR WE NEED \$36 BILLION -- MORE THAN

 TWICE AS MUCH -- TO MEET OUR GRAMM-RUDMAN

 DEFICIT TARGET, EVEN UNDER OMB'S OPTIMISTIC

 ASSUMPTIONS. AND THE CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET

 OFFICE NOW SAYS WE NEED \$60 BILLION MORE!

THE ROSTENKOWSKI PLAN

- O THAT IS WHY I THINK CHAIRMAN ROSTENKOWSKI HAS
 ISSUED THE WAKE-UP CALL WE'VE BEEN WAITING
 FOR.
- O I DON'T AGREE WITH EVERYTHING CHAIRMAN

 ROSTENKOWSKI HAS RECOMMENDED. BUT HE IS

 RIGHT IN INSISTING THAT ANY "PEACE DIVIDEND" BE

 USED FOR DEFICIT REDUCTION AND THAT ANY NEW

 SPENDING BE ON A PAY-AS-YOU-GO BASIS. WE MUST

EITHER MAKE NEW PROGRAMS FINANCIALLY

SELF-SUFFICIENT OR SCALE BACK EXISTING

PROGRAMS TO PAY FOR NEW INITIATIVES. THIS IS

WHAT I PROPOSED WHEN I CALLED FOR A 5%

REDUCTION IN FOREIGN AID SET ASIDES.

THE FREEZE

- O CHAIRMAN ROSTENKOWSKI IS PROBABLY ALSO
 RIGHT POLITICALLY IN REVIVING CANDIDATE BUSH'S
 PROPOSAL FOR A ONE-YEAR FREEZE IN FEDERAL
 SPENDING WITH THE EXCEPTION OF MEANS-TESTED
 POVERTY PROGRAMS.
- O A FREEZE IS NOT THE BEST POSSIBLE POLICY; IT IS

 SIMPLE CRUISE CONTROL. IT DOES NOT DISTINGUISH

 AMONG PROGRAMS ACCORDING TO

CHANGING NEEDS. IT PERPETUATES SOME

OBSOLETE PROGRAMS WHICH SHOULD BE CUT

SIGNIFICANTLY OR EVEN ELIMINATED TO PAY FOR

NEW PRIORITIES, LIKE EDUCATION AND THE DRUG

WAR. AND IT DOES NOT FACE UP TO NEEDED

STRUCTURAL REFORMS, SUCH AS THE PRESIDENT'S

MEDICARE PROPOSALS.

O MOREOVER, IT DOES NOT EVEN FREEZE

CONGRESSIONAL PAY. IF A FREEZE IS TO SUCCEED,

WE MUST ALL SHARE EQUALLY.

O HOWEVER, UNLIKE MOST BUDGET SOLUTIONS, A

FREEZE IS EASILY UNDERSTOOD -- AT LEAST OUTSIDE

THE BELTWAY WHERE YOU ARE NOT AUTOMATICALLY

ENTITLED TO YOUR INFLATION ADJUSTMENT. AND IT

DEMANDS THE SAME SACRIFICE FROM EVERYONE.

TAXES

DEFICIT WE SHOULD LOOK TO SPENDING CUTS AND NOT NEW TAXES. THAT IS WHY I BELIEVE THAT

GASOLINE TAXES SHOULD BE RAISED ONLY IF THE

REVENUE IS USED TO REPAIR OUR CRUMBLING

ROADS AND BRIDGES.

O MOREOVER, I DO NOT BELIEVE THAT THE PRESIDENT
WILL ABANDON HIS PLEDGE OF "NO NEW TAXES" TO
RAISE INCOME TAX RATES, EVEN AS PART OF A DEAL
LIKE THE ROSTENKOWSKI PACKAGE. INCOME TAX
RATES ARE THE POLITICAL CRUX OF THE NO TAX
PLEDGE. WHEN PEOPLE HEAR "NO NEW TAXES" THEY
UNDERSTAND NO INCOME TAX INCREASES.

O HOWEVER, THERE ARE WAYS THAT WE CAN RAISE

REVENUES WITHOUT RAISING TAX RATES. CLOSING

TAX LOOPHOLES IS ONE WAY. CUTTING CAPITAL

GAINS RATES MAY BE ANOTHER, DEPENDING ON

WHOSE ESTIMATES YOU BELIEVE.

CAPITAL GAINS

O THE ROSTENKOWSKI PLAN HAS PUT CAPITAL GAINS
ON HOLD -- FOR NOW. HOWEVER, CAPITAL GAINS IS
HIGH ON THE PRESIDENT'S PRIORITY LIST. AND IT

HAS THE SUPPORT OF A MAJORITY IN BOTH THE
HOUSE AND SENATE. SENATOR MITCHELL WAS ABLE
TO BLOCK A VOTE LAST YEAR, BUT I DOUBT HE CAN
FIND THOSE VOTES AGAIN, ONCE A BUDGET
AGREEMENT HAS BEEN REACHED.

O THE PRICE FOR CAPITAL GAINS RELIEF IN THE

SENATE MAY BE A SAVINGS INCENTIVE, AS

PROPOSED BY THE PRESIDENT, OR AN EXPANDED

IRA, AS PROPOSED BY SENATOR BENTSEN.

HOWEVER, I BELIEVE THAT SOME CAPITAL GAINS

RELIEF WILL PASS THIS YEAR.

GRAMM-RUDMAN

O FINALLY, I DO NOT AGREE WITH CHAIRMAN

ROSTENKOWSKI'S CALL FOR THE REPEAL OF THE

GRAMM-RUDMAN-HOLLINGS LAW ALTHOUGH I

SHARE HIS FRUSTRATION WITH THE CONGRESSIONAL

BUDGET PROCESS.

O WITHOUT THE DISCIPLINE OF THE
GRAMM-RUDMAN-HOLLINGS LAW AND ITS
SEQUESTER THREAT, THERE WOULD BE NOTHING TO
FORCE THE DEMOCRATS TO THE TABLE NEXT YEAR
OR TO STOP THE CONGRESS FROM RETURNING TO

ITS OLD FREE-SPENDING WAYS, ONCE THIS DEAL

EXPIRES.

O SO I THINK THAT CONGRESSMAN ROSTENKOWSKI

HAS ISSUED A CHALLENGE TO BOTH PARTIES TO

WORK OUT REAL DEFICIT REDUCTION. THE WHITE

HOUSE HAS ANSWERED THIS CHALLENGE. I HOPE

HIS FELLOW DEMOCRATS DO THE SAME.

PROGRAMS FOR THE HANDICAPPED

- O I HAVE ALWAYS HAD GREAT FAITH IN THE

 WILLINGNESS OF THE AMERICAN PEOPLE TO PITCH IN

 WHEN THEY ARE NEEDED, ABROAD OR AT HOME.

 YOUR COMPANIES ARE EXAMPLES.
- O LAST YEAR, THE CONGRESS PASSED MAJOR

 LEGISLATION TO PROVIDE ACCESS FOR THE

 DISABLED TO BUSINESS, TRANSPORTATION AND

 SUPPORT SERVICES. YOU HAVE BEEN PIONEERS IN

 THESE EFFORTS.

- O ELIZABETH AND I ARE ESPECIALLY APPRECIATIVE OF
 THE WORK OF THE ELECTRONICS INDUSTRY
 ASSOCIATION WITH THE DOLE FOUNDATION ON
 PROJECTS TO PROVIDE JOB OPPORTUNITIES FOR
 DISABLED AMERICANS.
- O MOREEVER, THIS WOULD NOT BE POSSIBLE WITHOUT

 THE PRODUCTS -- THE "ASSISTIVE DEVICES" -- WHICH

 YOU MANUFACTURE AND WHICH MAKE IT POSSIBLE

 FOR THE HANDICAPPED TO DO THOSE JOBS.

CLEAN AIR

THIS WEEK, THE SENATE IS CONTINUING WORK ON
THE CLEAN AIR LEGISLATION. THIS IS A SIGNIFICANT
BILL -- THE FIRST MAJOR REVISION OF OUR CLEAN
AIR LEGISLATION IN 12 YEARS. AND IT HAS A
SIGNIFICANT PRICE TAG -- AT LEAST \$20 BILLION PER
YEAR TO BE PAID BY AMERICAN BUSINESS.

- O AND THESE ARE ONLY THE KNOWN COSTS. THIS BILL
 WILL AFFECT SMALL HOSPITALS WITH INCINERATORS,
 FARMERS WHO USE AMMONIA, MARGINAL OIL
 PRODUCERS AND, OF COURSE, THE ELECTRONICS
 INDUSTRY.
- O SO WHILE I AGREE THAT THIS LEGISLATION IS

 NEEDED, I HOPE THAT WE WILL KEEP SOME

 PERSPECTIVE. IF IT COSTS \$20 BILLION TO DO 95%

 OF THE JOB, HOW MUCH MORE SHOULD WE SPEND

TO REACH 96% OR 97%? HOW MANY JOBS CAN WE AFFORD TO LOSE TO CHEAPER IMPORTS WHICH ARE NOT PRODUCED USING ENVIRONMENTALLY SAFE TECHNIQUES.

DESCRIPTION CALLING FOR NEW TARIFFS WHICH
WOULD IMPOSE THESE SAME COSTS ON FOREIGN
IMPORTS WHERE SIMILAR ENVIRONMENTAL
STANDARDS ARE NOT OBSERVED.

AS WE PAY THE PRICE FOR A BETTER ENVIRONMENT, I
THINK THE DEMAND THAT OTHERS SHARE THIS
BURDEN WILL GROW.

COMPETITIVENESS

O AND WE WILL NOT IGNORE COMPETITIVENESS AT
HOME. LAST MAY, AT SUGGESTION OF SENATOR
DANFORTH, I CONVENED A TASK FORCE OF
REPUBLICAN SENATORS TO ADDRESS THOSE
BARRIERS TO COMPETITIVENESS WHICH ARE WITHIN
THE CONTROL OF THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT.

- O WE WERE NOT LOOKING TO ESTABLISH AN
 INDUSTRIAL POLICY. LIKE MOST OF YOU, WE BELIEVE
 THAT PROTECTIONISM AND GOVERNMENT
 INTERVENTION IN THE MARKETPLACE CREATE
 OBSTACLES TO COMPETITIVENESS BY RAISING THE
 COST OF CAPITAL AND MATERIALS FOR U.S.
 MANUFACTURERS.
- NEVERTHELESS, WE RECOGNIZE THAT AMERICA

 NEEDS LEADERSHIP AND COORDINATION IN ITS

 TRADE AND ECONOMIC POLICIES. OUR TASK FORCE

 AIMS TO ESTABLISH THOSE PRIORITIES.

- O OUR INITIAL FOCUS HAS BEEN ON THE WAYS IN
 WHICH GOVERNMENT IMPEDES COMPETITIVENESS -WHETHER THROUGH ANTI-TRUST LAWS, TAX POLICY,
 OR EXCESSIVE REGULATION.
- O THIS TASK FORCE HAS ALREADY RECOMMENDED TAX
 INCENTIVES FOR RESEARCH, EDUCATION, SAVINGS
 AND INVESTMENT, PRODUCT LIABILITY REFORM,
 ANTI-TRUST REFORM, FEDERAL

CO-ORDINATION OF STRATEGIC TECHNOLOGIES AND STREAMLINED PUBLIC/PRIVATE PARTNERSHIPS TO TRANSFORM FEDERAL RESEARCH DISCOVERIES INTO NEW PRODUCTS AND SERVICES.

COCOM

O FINALLY, WHILE I BELIEVE IT IS PREMATURE TO RELAX
OUR VIGILANCE TOWARD THE SOVIET UNION, I ALSO
BELIEVE THAT WE MUST BE PRAGMATIC IN
NEGOTIATING TRADE RESTRICTIONS. NOTHING IS
GAINED BY PREVENTING AMERICAN COMPANIES

PRODUCTS ARE READILY AVAILABLE FROM OUR

ALLIES. WHATEVER COCOM STANDARDS ARE

APPLIED MUST BE MUTUAL AND ENFORCEABLE, OR

AMERICAN BUSINESS WILL AGAIN BE THE LOSER.

THE ELECTION

O AS YOU KNOW THIS IS AN ELECTION YEAR. AND FOR A CHANGE, THE REPUBLICANS APPEAR LIKELY TO MAKE GAINS IN A MID-TERM ELECTION.

O UNLIKE RECENT SENATE CAMPAIGNS WHERE THE

DEMOCRATS HAVE BEEN ABLE TO RECRUIT BETTER

CANDIDATES, WE NOW HAVE 8 REPUBLICAN HOUSE

MEMBERS RUNNING FOR THE SENATE BEHIND A

PRESIDENT WHOSE POPULARITY IS BREAKING

RONALD REAGAN'S RECORDS.

O OF COURSE, PRESIDENT BUSH'S RATINGS WILL COME
DOWN SOMEWHAT, AND PUNDITS CONTEND THAT A
PRESIDENT'S COATTAILS DO NOT HELP IN
CONGRESSIONAL ELECTIONS. BUT I THINK THAT BILL
SCHUETTE IN MICHIGAN, TOM TAUKE IN IOWA, LYNN
MARTIN IN ILLINOIS AND CLAUDINE SCHNEIDER IN
RHODE ISLAND ARE EACH POSITIONED TO UNSEAT
AN INCUMBENT SENATOR.

CONCLUSION

O AND BECAUSE THIS IS AN ELECTION YEAR,

BI-PARTISAN COOPERATION WILL BECOME MORE

AND MORE DIFFICULT. NEVERTHELESS, I BELIEVE

THAT WE WILL FINALLY AGREE ON WHAT I HAVE

CALLED THE FIVE C'S: CLEAN AIR, CHILD CARE,

CAMPAIGN FINANCE REFORM, A CRIME PACKAGE,

AND SOME FORM OF CAPITAL GAINS RELIEF.

HOWEVER, AS ALWAYS, THE SERIOUS DEBATE ON

THE BUDGET AND THE BUDGET PROCESS WILL

CONTINUE TO DOMINATE OUR AGENDA UNTIL BOTH

CONGRESS AND THE PRESIDENT FACE UP TO THE

TOUGH CHOICES.

O THANK YOU.