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003	Memorandum	Hispanic Outreach in South Carolina - To: Karl Rove - From: Ruben Barrales	1	05/20/2003	P5;
004	Memorandum	Department of Justice Brief in Lawsuit Challenging D.C... - To: Andrew Card, et al. - From: Alberto Gonzales	3	05/16/2003	P5;
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007	Email	Overdue Memo from Weber - To: Karl Rove - From: Vin Weber	2	04/08/2003	PRM;
008	Email	FW: Mr. Rove, Please Forgive This One-Time, Unsolicited... - To: Susan Ralston - From: Karl Rove	7	05/27/2003	PRM;
009	Fax Cover Sheet	[Fax Cover Sheet with attachment] - To: Karl Rove - From: Rob Portman	2	05/13/2003	PRM;
010	Email	Ass't. Sec. of State Wm. Burns... - To: Karl Rove - From: Tim Goeglein	1	05/26/2003	P5;

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012	Discussion Paper	The Law Does Not Prohibit Deduction of Countervailing Duties...	4	N.D.	P5;
013	Report	Department of Commerce Policy for Calculating Dumping...	1	N.D.	P5;
014	Memorandum	Westerner/Southerner Meeting on Softwood Lumber - To: Karl Rove - From: Bill Greene	3	05/27/2003	P5;
015	Email	Heads Up - To: Karl Rove - From: Andrew Sansom	1	05/01/2003	P2; P5; P6/b6;

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017	Email	FW: Message from Dr. Carl Herbster of KC - To: Susan Ralston - From: Karl Rove	1	05/27/2003	P2; P5; P6/b6;
018	Email	FYI - To: Karl Rove - From: Peter Wehner	2	05/23/2003	PRM;
019	Letter	John Edwards [with attachment]	6	N.D.	PRM;
020	Letter	[Letter] - To: Karl Rove - From: Amanullah Khan	1	06/05/2003	P6/b6;

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EXEC. OFF. PRESIDENT  
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*May 31, 2003*

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21 May 2003

**FILE**

Mr. Karl Rove  
Senior Advisor to the President  
Executive Office of the President  
1600 Pennsylvania Ave., NW  
Washington, D.C. 20500

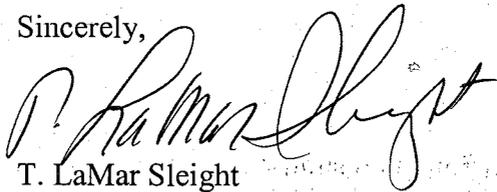
Dear Mr. Rove:

I am pleased to inform you that the Mormon Tabernacle Choir will be performing this summer in cities on the East Coast. The 360-voice choir, sponsored by The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, has thrilled audiences throughout the world. We are excited that Washington, D.C., has been selected as one of the featured cities.

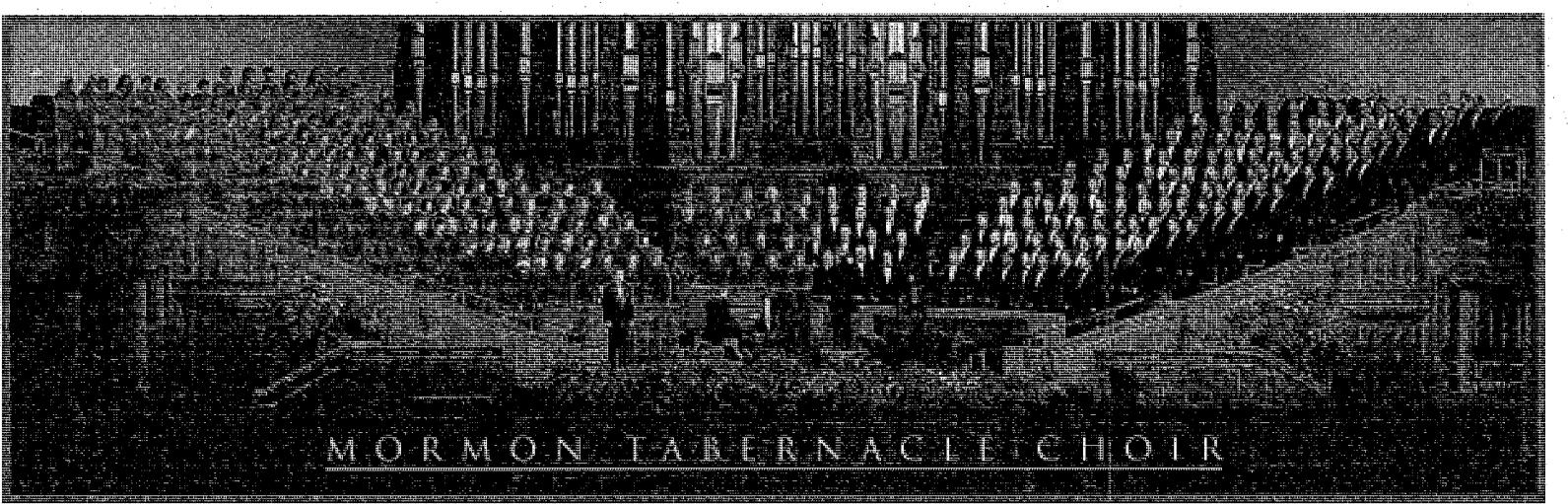
Enclosed is an invitation for you to attend a special reception and concert at Wolf Trap National Park, conveniently located in Vienna, Virginia. I hope you will join us for this wonderful and rare opportunity. Please call 202-448-3344 to reserve two complimentary concert tickets.

If you have any questions regarding the Mormon Tabernacle Choir's tour, please do not hesitate to call.

Sincerely,



T. LaMar Sleight  
Director



MORMON TABERNACLE CHOIR

THE CHURCH OF  
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is pleased to invite you to  
*a special hors d'oeuvres reception*  
and a concert performance by the

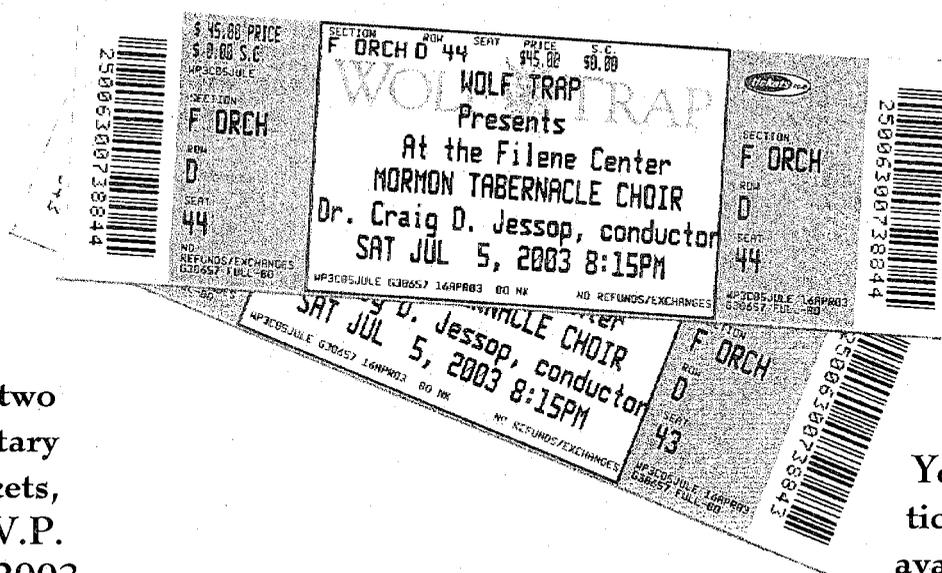
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at

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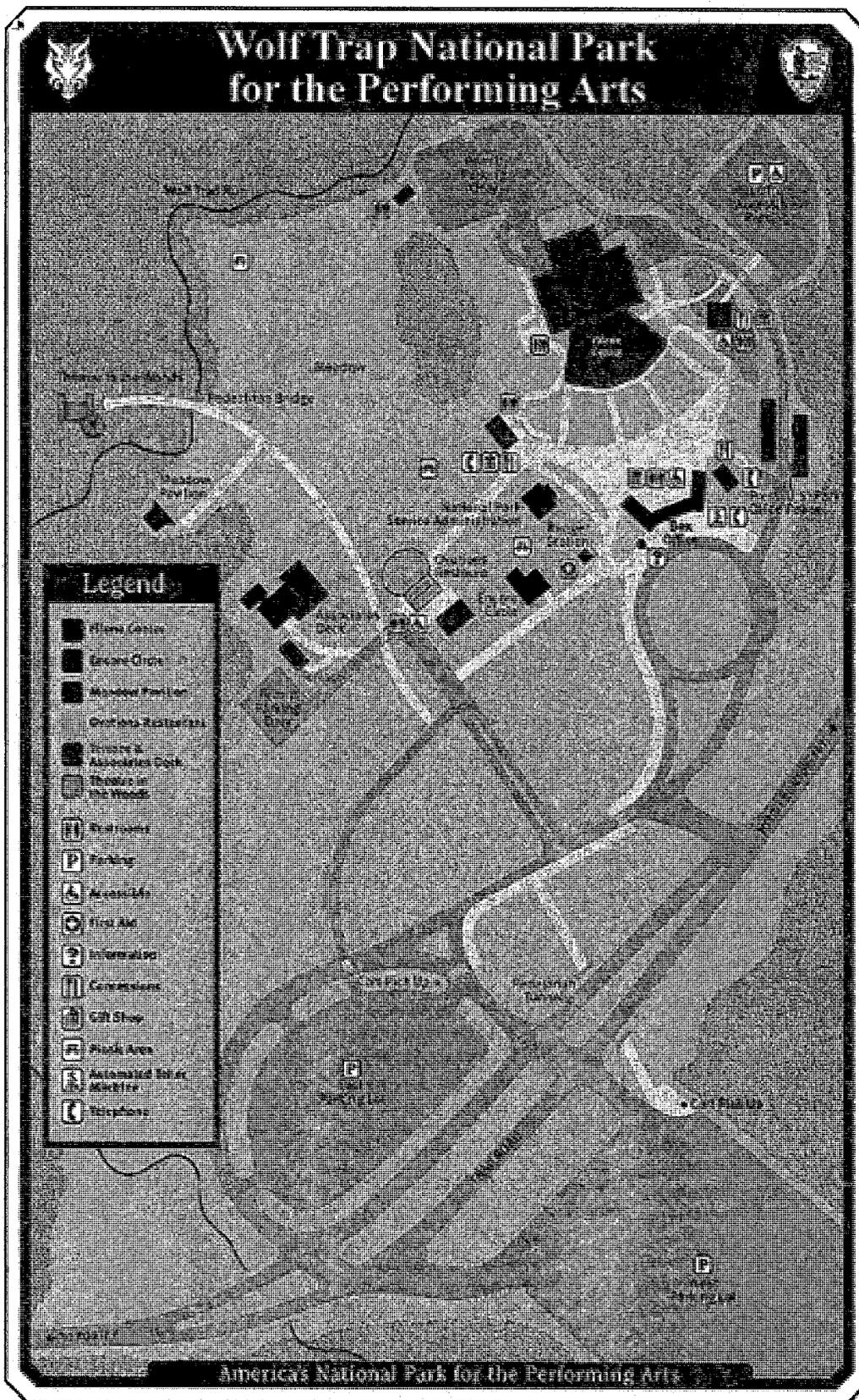
Saturday, July 5, 2003

Reception: 6:00 p.m. until 7:45 p.m. at the Terrace Deck  
Concert: 8:15 p.m. at the Filene Center



To reserve two  
complimentary  
concert tickets,  
please R.S.V.P.  
by June 20, 2003  
(202) 448-3344

Your concert  
tickets will be  
available at the  
reception.



### Directions to Wolf Trap

(Do NOT confuse the Dulles Toll Road with the Dulles Access Road. These roads run parallel to each other but the Access Road is for airport use only.)

#### From the Capital Beltway (495)

Take exit 45 (formerly exit 12) to Route 267 West (Dulles Toll Road), follow signs to local exits, pay a 50-cent toll and exit at the Wolf Trap ramp. The Filene Center will be on the right.

#### From Route 66 West-bound

Take exit 67 to Route 267 (Dulles Toll Road), follow signs for local exits, pay a 50-cent toll and exit at the Wolf Trap ramp. The Filene Center will be on the right.

#### From Route 66 East-bound

Take the Capital Beltway (495) North to exit 45 (formerly exit 12) onto Route 267 (Dulles Toll Road). Follow signs for local exits, pay a 50-cent toll and exit at the Wolf Trap ramp. The Filene Center will be on the right.

#### From Route 7 West-bound (toward Leesburg)

Turn left on Towlston Road, drive one mile and the Filene Center will be on your left.

#### From Route 267 East-bound

Take exit 16 onto Route 7 West. Proceed 1 1/2 miles and turn left on Towlston Road. Drive one mile and the Filene Center will be on your left.

#### Parking

Park in either the East or West lot (parking is free) and walk up the hill to the Terrace just to the left of "Chicken Out Rotisserie," formerly "Ovations Restaurant." There will be signs.

Congress of the United States  
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Washington, DC 20515

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WH STRATEGIC INITIATIVES  
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May 15, 2003

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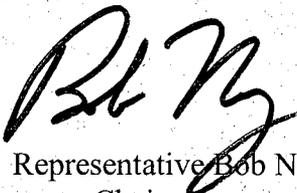
On behalf of the U.S. House of Representatives Committee on House Administration and the U.S. Senate Committee on Rules and Administration, we would like to invite you to speak at the 2003 Congressional Intern Lecture Series.

The Congressional Intern Lecture Series is held for Congressional interns who attend colleges and universities across the nation and come to work in Senate and House offices during the summer months. It is an opportunity for the interns to hear prominent public figures speak on important issues facing our nation and world today.

We are currently planning this summer's Series, which will run from June 2nd through the end of July. Please contact Jennifer Hing at the Committee on House Administration, at (202) 225-8281, for more information or to schedule a date and time for your participation.

Thank you for your kind consideration of this invitation.

Sincerely,



Representative Bob Ney  
Chairman  
Committee on House Administration



Senator Trent Lott  
Chairman  
Senate Committee on Rules and Administration

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Date: 5/30

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Posted on: Saturday, May 24, 2003

## OHA hires lobby firm to help push Akaka bill

By Vicki Viotti and Derrick DePledge  
Advertiser Staff Writers

The Office of Hawaiian Affairs has hired a well-known law and lobbying firm in Washington to add muscle to its push for a bill that would give Hawaiians federal recognition.

The legislation — known as the "Akaka bill" after sponsor U.S. Sen. Daniel Akaka, D-Hawai'i — would create a formal process for Hawaiians to form their own sovereign government that would be recognized by the United States, much like American Indians and Native Alaskans. The Senate Indian Affairs Committee approved the bill last week, and it could now go to the full Senate for a vote.

OHA trustees on Thursday authorized a maximum of \$450,000 for expenditures by Patton Boggs, LLP, an international law firm that the board hired after conducting interviews last week in Washington, said Clyde Namu'o, OHA administrator.

The trustees will receive weekly reports from the firm to monitor their spending and progress, Namu'o said.

The firm's work will include the preparation of a report on the federal recognition campaign for the Bush administration, in the hopes of persuading the White House to support the bill, according to Namu'o.

"There's a window of opportunity to get this bill passed, and we need to do everything we can do," he said.

Patton Boggs lobbies for such heavyweights as AOL Time Warner, Mars Corp. and Sony. Its roster of about 225 lobbying clients also includes major trade associations and state and local agencies.

Thomas Hale Boggs Jr., one of its principals, is known as a prominent Democrat who has taken a personal interest in Hawaiian recognition. He is considered one of the capital's most well-connected and influential lobbyists.

Hawai'i's congressional delegation has made progress on Hawaiian recognition since Akaka first proposed the bill in 2000, but has not been able to overcome opposition from conservative Republicans. Republican Gov. Linda Lingle and her staff have approached the Bush administration for its support.

Sen. Dan Inouye, D-Hawai'i, has said that a White House endorsement is key. The Clinton administration supported a version of the bill in 2000, when it passed the House but stalled in the Senate. Last session, a version of the bill cleared the Senate Indian Affairs Committee and the House Resources Committee before being blocked.

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## Economic Valuation of Lifesaving

### THE STATISTICAL-LIVES METHOD

--measures the number of lives saved by regulations that reduce probabilities of premature death from injury or disease; does not apply to "identified" lives such as trapped coal miners or kidney dialysis patients.

--a dollar value for each statistical life saved is determined based on studies of wage premiums for hazardous jobs and surveys of consumers considering purchases of safer products (e.g., smoke detectors).

--used by EPA (\$6 million per statistical life) and FAA (\$3 million per statistical life); the same economic value is assigned regardless of age or other personal characteristics.

--lifesaving benefits are computed as the number of statistical lives saved multiplied by the dollar value of a statistical life.

--method is popular among environmental economists, though rarely used in public health or medicine because lives are never really "saved", though duration of life can be increased.

--Experts: Professor W. Kip Viscusi, Harvard Law School, James Hammitt (Harvard Center for Risk Analysis) and Dr. Alan Krupnick (Resources for the Future).

### THE LIFE-EXPECTANCY METHOD

--measures the number of years of life saved by regulations that reduce probabilities of premature death from injury and disease; life tables are used to compute life expectancy gains; method is applied to "statistical" or "identified" lives.

--a dollar value for each year of life saved is derived from "statistical life" studies (e.g. if a premature death is valued at \$3 million, and if the person had a remaining life expectancy of 30 life years, then the average benefit is \$100,000 per life year saved).

--FDA uses a constant value for each life year saved (\$100,000 - \$200,000 per life year). EPA's recent use assigns a higher value (\$472,000) to life years for those over age 65 (since remaining life years are scarce!).

--lifesaving benefits are computed as the number of years of life saved by a regulation, multiplied by the average economic value of a year of life. (Sometimes a more advanced tool called the "quality-adjusted life year (QALY) is used, which weights each year of life according to its health-related quality).

--in benefit-cost analysis, an explicit value is assigned to each life year; in cost-effectiveness analysis the life-year value is left implicit, for determination by the patient, hospital or policymaker.

--the method is popular among health economists, decision scientists and physicians and is widely employed in the peer-reviewed medical literature, but is criticized as unfair to the elderly and disabled.

--Experts: Harvey Fineberg, President, Institute of Medicine (DC), Professor Richard Zeckhauser, Kennedy School of Government, Professor Milton C. Weinstein, Harvard School of Public Health, Professor Cass Sunstein, University of Chicago Law School.



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## Bush deputy tackles local minority issues

Immigration, health care priority topics

By Michael Buchanan

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Immigration, health care and other topics facing local Hispanics will be discussed Saturday when a top Bush administration official comes to Greenville for a town hall-style meeting.

Ruben Barrales, deputy assistant to President Bush and director of intergovernmental affairs for the White House, was asked by local Republicans to attend the meeting as a way of showing the Bush administration's commitment to Hispanic issues, said Ed Foulke Jr., chair of the Greenville County Republican Party.

"If you look at all minorities, they're very family-oriented and that's what the

Republican Party is about," he said. "We want to make sure all minorities know that we're here, and we're concerned about their issues."

Local Hispanics said they are excited about the visit and plan to make their voices heard.

"The average people need to get involved," said Elizabeth Wilkerson, vice president of the Hispanic American Women Association in Greenville. "If we don't start acting, nobody is going to be knocking on our door asking what we need."

Wilkerson said she wants Barrales to address legislation brought forward by U.S. Rep. Luis Gutierrez, D-Ill., that would grant citizenship to immigrants who have been living in the United States for at least five years and would provide work authorization to all law-abiding immigrants in the United States.

Another local Hispanic

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■ The town hall meeting will be 9:30 to 11 a.m. Saturday at Northwest Crescent Center, 925 North Franklin Road, Greenville.

said he is interested in health care. Longtime resident Alfred Middleton works as a hospital translator and says women giving birth often cannot understand what their doctor is saying.

"They're human beings and they need care," he said. "It happens every day."

Alex Mumford, chairman of the Greenville County Democratic Party, said he was amazed to hear of Barrales' visit, given that the Democratic Party has been the one traditionally thought of as sympathetic to minority issues.

"I'm impressed," he said. "I think they're probably doing what we should be doing."

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## Asistente del Presidente Bush visita Greenville

**Greenville** - Rubén Barrales, asistente del Presidente George W. Bush y Director en la Casa Blanca para Asuntos Inter-Gubernamentales participará en una reunión de pueblo a las 9:30 AM el sábado 17 de mayo. Esta reunión, la primera de su índole en Carolina del Sur, se celebra en el Centro de Desarrollo Infantil y Servicios a la Familia North West Crescent ubicado en 925 de North Franklin Road en el área de Berea al norte de la ciudad de Greenville.

Ed Marshall, Director del Centro dijo que Barrales hablará sobre temas de nivel nacional. Marshall cree que luego de los ataques terroristas del 11 de septiembre, es sumamente importante re-enfocar en los

asuntos que son de importancia para los latinos como la educación, acceso al sistema de salud e inmigración.

Walt Wilkins, abogado de inmigración en Greenville dijo, "El que Barrales venga a Greenville a escuchar de los latinos y llevar ese mensaje al Presidente de los Estados Unidos sin lugar a dudas nos pone a nivel del debate nacional.

La comunidad latina ha tenido un gran crecimiento en el Upstate. En 1995 el registro demográfico en el Departamento de Salud (DHEC)



Ruben Barrales

registró 84 nacimientos de niños latinos pero proyecta 1,493 nacimientos para el año 2004.

Antes de trabajar en la Casa Blanca para el Presidente Bush, Barrales era presidente y Primer Ejecutivo de la compañía Joint Venture: Silicon Valley Network in San Jose, California. En 1992 fue el primer latino electo como concejal de la Junta de Supervisores de San Mateo. Fue también dirigente de la iniciativa para crear las escuelas públicas especiales en California. Barrales nació en California hijo de padres inmigrantes mexicanos y habla español e inglés.

Para más información sobre la reunión de pueblo pueden llamar a Ed Marshall al 864-241-3523.

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## La Casa Blanca hace presencia en Greenville

Asistente del presidente Bush presidirá Reunión de Hispanos

Considerado como uno de los hispanos más influyentes de Estados Unidos por la revista Hispanic Business y uno de los líderes globales del futuro, el hijo de inmigrantes mexicanos **Rubén Barrales**, asistente del presidente George W. Bush, estará de visita este fin de semana en Greenville para reunirse con líderes locales y representantes de medios de comunicación.

Aunque está invitado a varios actos, Barrales presidirá uno muy importante, que es la denominada Reunión de Hispanos de la Ciudad, de gran importancia para quienes residen en el Condado de Greenville, y que se realizará el sábado 17 de mayo entre 9:30 y 11 de la mañana en el Northwest Crescenter Center.

En la reunión se hablará de inmigración, educación, cuidados de salud, seguridad y empleo, entre otros temas. Será conducida en inglés y en español y mayores informes se pueden obtener con



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La función de Barrales es mantener en estrecho contacto entre la Casa Blanca

## La ley es para todos

El vicegobernador de Carolina del Sur, **Andre Bauer**, vivió la semana pasada uno de los momentos más tormentosos de su carrera política cuando un policía lo detuvo y se vio obligado a apuntarlo con un arma, por sobrepasar los límites de velocidad y no detenerse en dos semáforos en rojo.

Bauer, de 34 años, iba a toda prisa rumbo a una sesión del Senado, cuando el policía activó su sirena y le encendió las luces, pero le tomó aproximadamente ocho cuadras a velocidades de 60 millas por hora en una zona de 35 mph, para que el vicegobernador se detuviera.

Bauer fue acusado de manejar con absoluto desprecio por la seguridad pública. El funcionario pagó la multa, aceptó las sanciones y tuvo que disculparse públicamente por su comportamiento. Moraleja: la ley es para todos.



## Una latina, reina de las tropas

La supermodelo latina **Estelle Reyna** recibe cada día cientos de mensajes electrónicos de sus admiradores en el Oriente Medio y el Golfo Pérsico, y su escritorio está repleto con paquetes para cuidado personal, cartas y fotos autografiadas que ella envía diariamente a los buques de guerra, así como a otras direcciones del APO-FPO, con destino a los soldados destacados lejos de su país.

La respuesta a los envíos de esta belleza latina ha sido abrumadora. Lo que se inició como un esfuerzo para "marcar la diferencia", ahora ocupa cinco horas de la agitada agenda diaria de la modelo. "Sí, toma tiempo, pero es un tiempo bien empleado. Me siento



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## President's tax-cut plan helps South Carolinians

By Ruben Barrales

President Bush has been traveling across the country the past several weeks to promote his jobs and economic growth package that will help bolster America's economy and create jobs. With many Americans facing tough economic times, now is the time for Congress to act on the president's jobs and growth package.

In Washington, there are different versions of economic plans. The president's jobs and economic growth plan would provide \$726 billion in tax relief over the next 10 years that will strengthen the economy and create jobs by allowing Americans to keep more of their own money to spend, save and invest. The plan includes provisions to accelerate tax relief for taxpayers and working families and to ensure that small businesses are given the proper environment in which to grow.

According to the Council of

Economic Advisers, the president's jobs and growth plan will create 1.4 million new jobs by the end of 2004, with 510,000 jobs created in 2003 and another 891,000 jobs created in 2004.

The president's plan is good news for taxpayers and businesses in South Carolina. More than



Barrales

1.17 million taxpayers in South Carolina will have lower income tax bills in 2003 under the president's growth package. This will allow South Carolinians to keep and spend more of their hard earned money. In addition, more than 280,000 business taxpayers would be able to use their tax savings to invest in new equipment, hire additional workers, and increase pay.

Overall, President Bush's jobs and growth package would create \$200 million in additional receipts to the state in 2004 alone,

which would help the state of South Carolina address its projected shortfall in revenues.

The president's plan would also eliminate the double taxation of dividends that hurts America's seniors, many of whom rely on dividend income for their retirement. The elimination of this double taxation would provide average tax relief of \$991 for the more than 9 million seniors nationwide who include dividend income on their tax return in 2003.

The president's jobs and growth package is the right economic plan for South Carolina. It will help ensure that America's economic recovery is both long-term and sustainable. The president will not rest until every American who wants a job can find a job.

■ Ruben Barrales is deputy assistant to the president and director of Intergovernmental Affairs at the White House. He will participate today in a Hispanic Town Hall Meeting at the Northwest Crescent Center.

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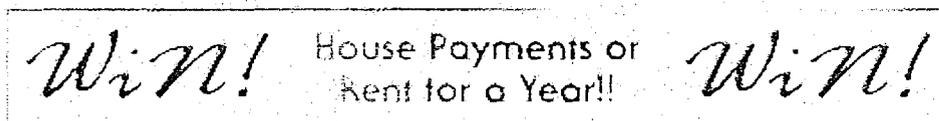
As Barrales left to attend a luncheon with prominent Hispanics from the community, he was stopped frequently by people handing him notes or asking for autographs. Barrales said he was impressed by the turnout.

Efrain Gutierrez, who moved to Greenville three years ago from Columbia, said he was glad a White House official came to visit but remained skeptical about whether Bush will really address the issues raised.

"The meeting is important to shed light on all the problems," he said in Spanish. "But at the same time, I don't think the answers will come as easily and quickly as has been presented to us."

One South Carolina representative who attended the meeting, Gloria Haskins, said she plans to call for a task force to study Hispanic issues at a statewide level. Haskins, R-Greenville, is Hispanic.

"I think we have a lot of work to do," she said.



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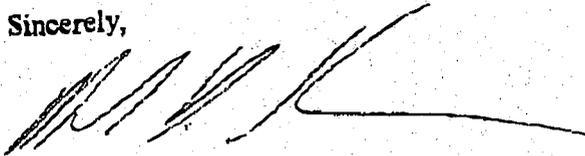
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## **DON'T UNDERCUT NEEDED FAA REFORM**

by

**Robert W. Poole, Jr.**

Rep. James Oberstar plans to offer an amendment to the FAA reauthorization bill to redefine air traffic control as "inherently governmental." But recent testimony by DOT Inspector General Ken Mead shows why fundamental ATC reform is still needed—reform that Oberstar's bill would likely block.

Mead described an ATC system run for the benefit of its unions, not its users. The deals signed by former Administrator Jane Garvey boosted controller pay by 47 percent, so that the average base salary is now above \$106,000. Over 1,000 controllers made more than \$150,000 last year. The union managed to subvert the new FAA accounting system so that it cannot properly track their time—making promised productivity gains impossible to measure.

Then there's the debacle of ATC "modernization." Mead cited five major technology upgrades that "have experienced cost growth of over \$3 billion and schedule slips of 3 to 5 years," because there's "a lack of basic contract administration at every stage." The next day GAO's Gerald Dillingham described FAA's modernization effort as "plagued by cost overruns, schedule delays, and performance shortfalls."

Oberstar sings the union song about ours being "the best air traffic control system in the world." That Pollyanna view ignores a global wave of ATC reform that has seen 29 countries create high-performance, customer-responsive ATC companies. Altogether, about 30% of the world's air traffic is now controlled by these providers.

Former Vice President Gore's National Performance Review drew on these corporations as models for transforming our ATC system into a government corporation called USATS. Direct user payments would give it a bondable revenue stream to finance modernization, using businesslike procurement methods.

Unfortunately, Congress ignored USATS. When the subsequent Mineta Commission proposed a user-funded, bond-issuing business unit within FAA, Congress enacted only bits and pieces, ignoring the key financial reforms. And when President Clinton issued an executive order on those reforms, the union pounced, inserting the words "inherently governmental" in reference to the ATC system.

Last June, the Bush Administration removed those two words. That means ATC is potentially commercial and could be provided in ways other than a tax-funded bureaucracy. Though Lautenberg and NATCA portray this as unthinkable, it reflects the conclusion reached by 29 other countries.

It also reflects the judgment of four former FAA Administrators and other retired senior FAA officials. They signed a statement in 2001 declaring that "Air traffic control is a 24 hour-a-day, 7 day-a-week high-tech service business," which "can and should be

operated by a separate corporate entity, paid directly by its customers, and directly accountable to its customers for performance.”

Instead of directly engaging this approach, Oberstar and NATCA attack a phantom they call “privatization,” and a supposed conflict between profits and safety. But no private, for-profit ATC system exists in any of those 29 countries. All but two have created commercial but government-owned ATC corporations, and the other two are nonprofit corporations.

NATCA has also falsely claimed that near-misses in the U.K. have increased by 50% since “privatization” there. But the U.K. Airprox Board reports near-misses at record lows. Lautenberg even raises national security, justly praising our controllers for safely landing all flights on September 11<sup>th</sup>. But he neglects to point out the equally fine work of Nav Canada controllers, praised by White House Chief of Staff Andy Card.

NATCA’s campaign is aimed at just one thing: undercutting fundamental ATC reform. We now know that ATC corporations are transforming stodgy bureaucracies into high-performance service providers. These reforms have enabled the same workforce, led by new top management, to become significantly more productive.

To her credit, Marion Blakey has an open mind on corporatization. As she tackles FAA’s serious problems, the last thing she needs is a legal mandate to preserve ATC as a tax-funded bureaucracy. Our ATC system is broken and needs to be fixed. Congress should not preclude such reforms by law.

*Robert Poole is Director of Transportation Studies at the Reason Foundation in Los Angeles. He advised the Clinton White House on ATC reform and was a member of the Bush-Cheney transportation policy task force in 2000. His response to NATCA’s anti-privatization white paper may be found at [www.rppi.org/ps307.pdf](http://www.rppi.org/ps307.pdf).*

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From: Strategic Initiatives

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*May 30 2003*



*The Brazilian Ambassador and Mrs. Barbosa,*  
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*request the pleasure of the company of*  
*Mr. and Mrs. Karl Rowe*  
*for a "Coffee Evening Buffet"*  
*on Tuesday, June 10<sup>th</sup>, 2003, at 6:00 p.m.*

*R. S. V. P.*  
*(202) 238-2738 - Business Attire*

*3000 Massachusetts Avenue, N.W.*  
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From: Strategic Initiatives

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# Fax Transmittal

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To: Mr. Adam Goldman  
Assoc. Director of Public Liaison

Fax: (202) 456-6218

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Date: May 15, 2003

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**Message:**

NAM President Jerry Jasinowski was asked by the head of the leading French business association to convey the message that French business does not share their government's view on Iraq. Jerry has written a letter to President Bush to this effect. I am sending it to you as I presume you are the correct, or a correct, entry to the White House for this type of correspondence. If I am mistaken, please forward this to the correct party. Thank you, Adam!

Frank Vargo, Vice President,  
International Economic Affairs  
NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF MANUFACTURERS  
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*Manufacturing Makes America Strong*

Jerry J. Jasinowski

President



May 14, 2003

The President  
The White House  
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Mr. President:

I write to express our continuing support of your pro-growth policies, and also to convey to you and your administration a conciliatory message from leaders of the French business community that stands in stark contrast to the official posture of the French government.

Your steadfast emphasis on the importance of economic growth, and in particular your insistence upon tax cuts that will encourage confidence among consumers, businesses and investors, are greatly appreciated by our members. We are working hard to rally support for your legislation around the country, with a special focus on Democratic Senators who are concerned about business investment. I am optimistic that our good friend Senator Ben Nelson of Nebraska will provide you a decisive vote.

You should know also that the French business community is extremely upset by the deterioration of relations between the United States and France, and at the policies of Prime Minister Jacques Chirac whom they believe went too far in opposing our position on Iraq. At a well-attended business summit in Montreal last week, my French counterpart, Ernest-Antoine Seillière, President of MEDEF, conveyed this sentiment forcefully in a public gathering where we both spoke. "We were horrified by the terrorist attacks suffered by your country on September 11 and shared your national grief," he said. "Whilst it is not our place to cast judgment on the way in which your country intervened in Iraq, we do share the opinion of those who believe that boldness and courage freed this country from a most terrible dictatorship. From now on, we shall strive to strengthen links and promote again the friendship between our countries."

Mr. Seillière urged me to convey this message to our members and the American business community at large. I thought it prudent to inform you of the French business community's views prior to your meeting with Chirac next month. I believe it also represents an opportunity for American business to take a proactive approach to our French counterparts to strengthen private sector activities in areas such as the Transatlantic Business Dialogue, which Secretary Evans has decided to re-launch with his European Commission counterparts.

Again, on behalf of our 14,000 members and affiliated organizations, I thank you for your courageous leadership in these perilous times, and for your continuing commitment to manufacturing. Please let me know if there is anything else we can do for you and your administration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jerry J. Jasinowski". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

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Montreal Conference  
Thursday May 8, 2003

Lunch / debate by Ernest-Antoine Seillière, President of MEDEF  
and Jerry Jasinowski, President of the National Association of Manufacturers

Opening statement of Ernest-Antoine Seillière

What could be a better context for today's discussion between a representative of entrepreneurs in the United States and France than this international forum in Montreal? Paul Desmarais knows how much we love and admire Canada and of course Quebec. I am delighted to be here today alongside Jerry Jasinowski, the President of the National Association of Manufacturers, in this part of the American continent which was formerly French.

As French entrepreneurs, we are concerned by globalization, European construction and the specific features of French society and these are all issues that we wish to address. However, we are also preoccupied at this time by Franco-American relations.

There is no denying that the differences which emerged between France and the United States regarding Iraq produced a crisis in relations between the governments and, to a certain extent, public opinion in our two countries.

As the spokesperson for French entrepreneurs, I have been asked to say the following words to the American entrepreneurs' representative who is here beside me today:

"Jerry, the links established between us over the past decades in all fields of business are sound, friendly and often fraternal. We have developed strong affinities in the fields of commerce, finance, investment, in the training of young people and in cultural exchanges.

We share the values of freedom, responsibility, initiative and free enterprise which have fostered our common outlook on things. We admire your capacity for innovation and adaptation, your taste for success and your enthusiasm.

Without venturing too far onto foreign territory, I would nevertheless like to stress the following: we were horrified by the terrorist attacks suffered by your country on September 11 and shared your national grief. Whilst it is not our place to cast judgment on the way in which your country intervened in Iraq, we do share the opinion of those who believe that boldness and courage freed this country from a most terrible dictatorship.

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I would like to thank you, Paul, for permitting me to address Jerry with these sincere words, inspired in particular by a spirit of friendship. I would like him to transmit our message throughout his country to all our American entrepreneurial friends.

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To: Josh Botten

From: Strategic Initiatives Karl

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From: Strategic Initiatives *Susan*

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- Direct Response
- Prepare Response For My Signature
- Per Our Conversation
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- Per Your Request
- Please Return
- Deadline
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Comments: *Karl asked if you would work w/ Grant Adonis on a response to this.*

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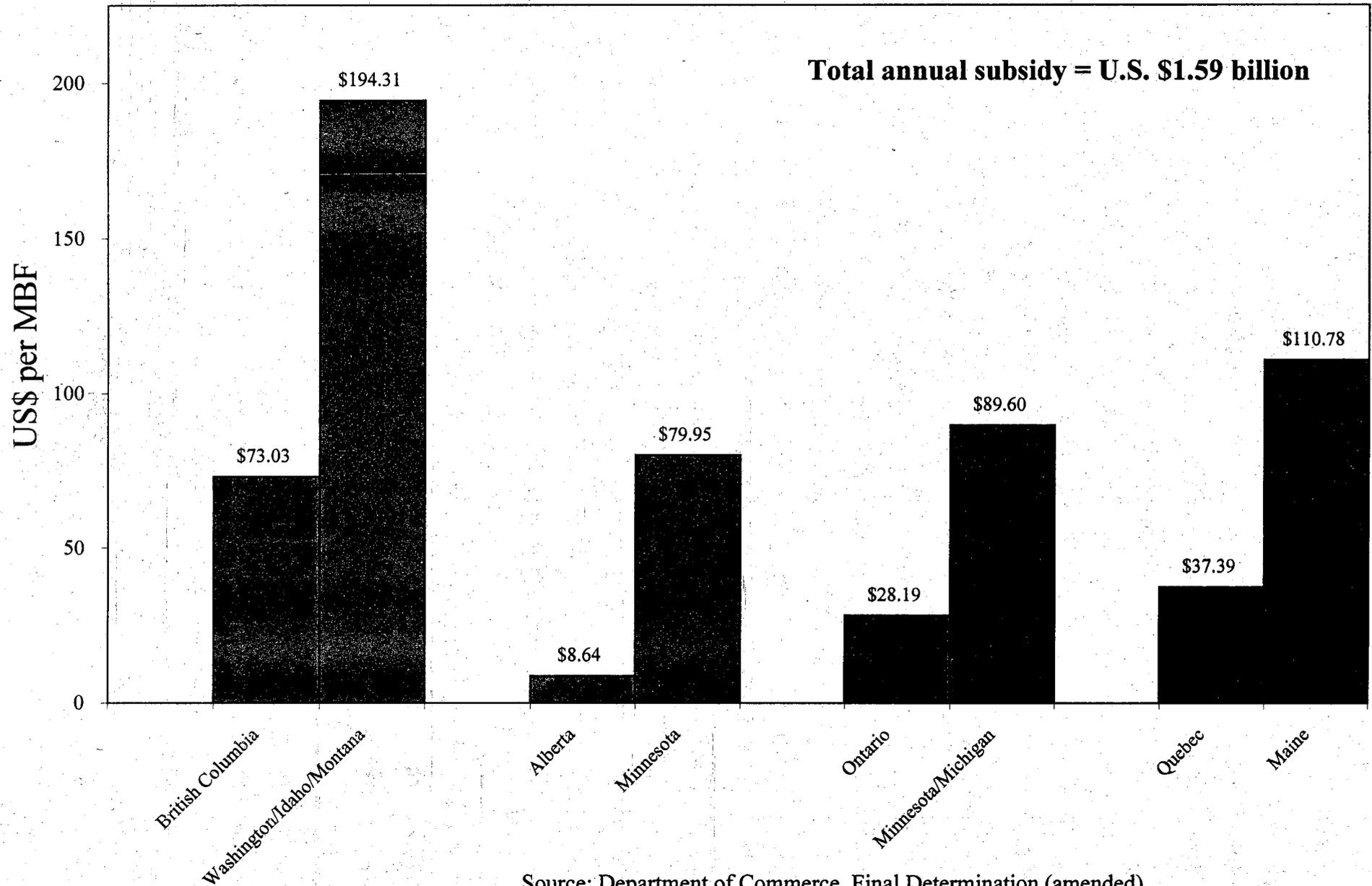
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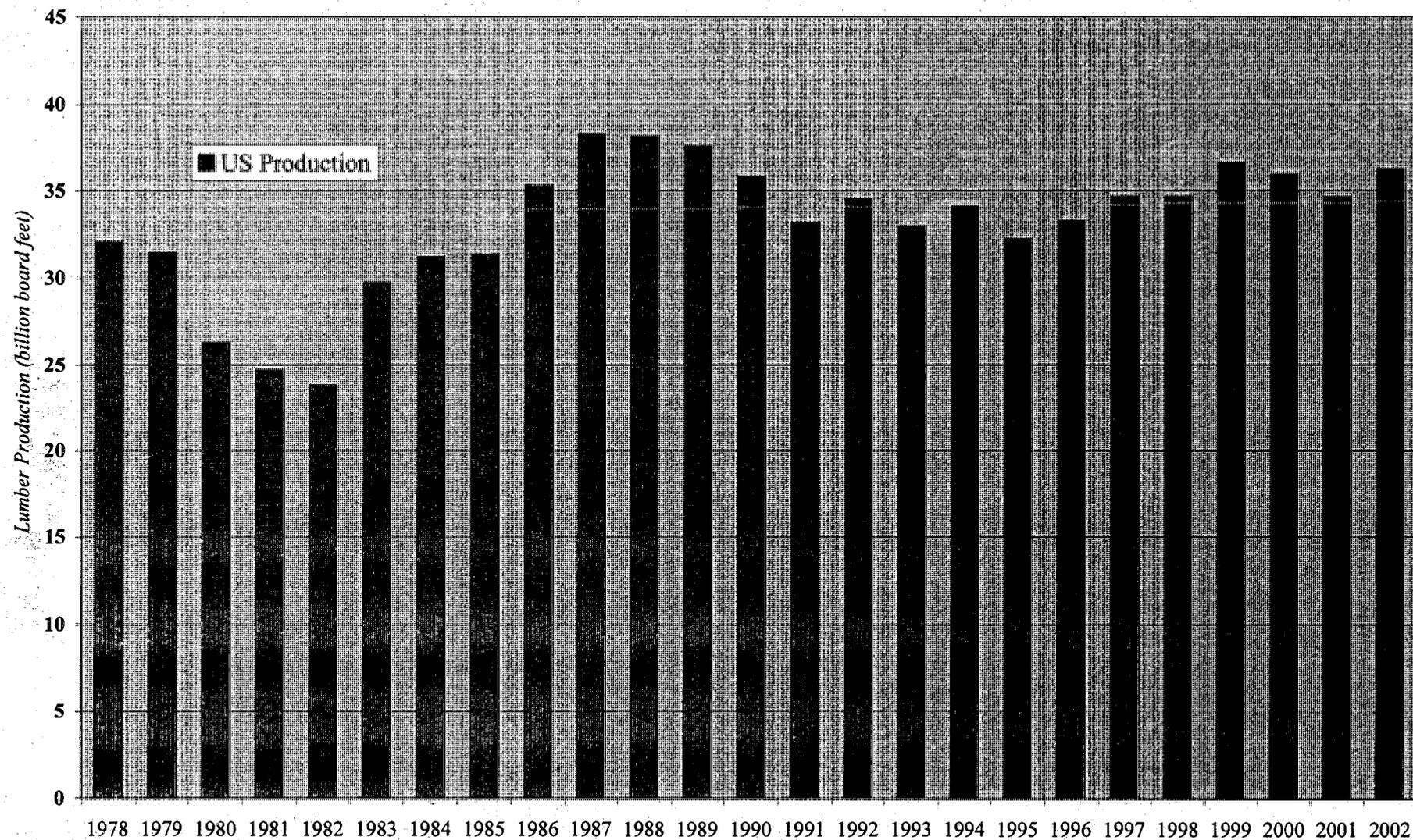
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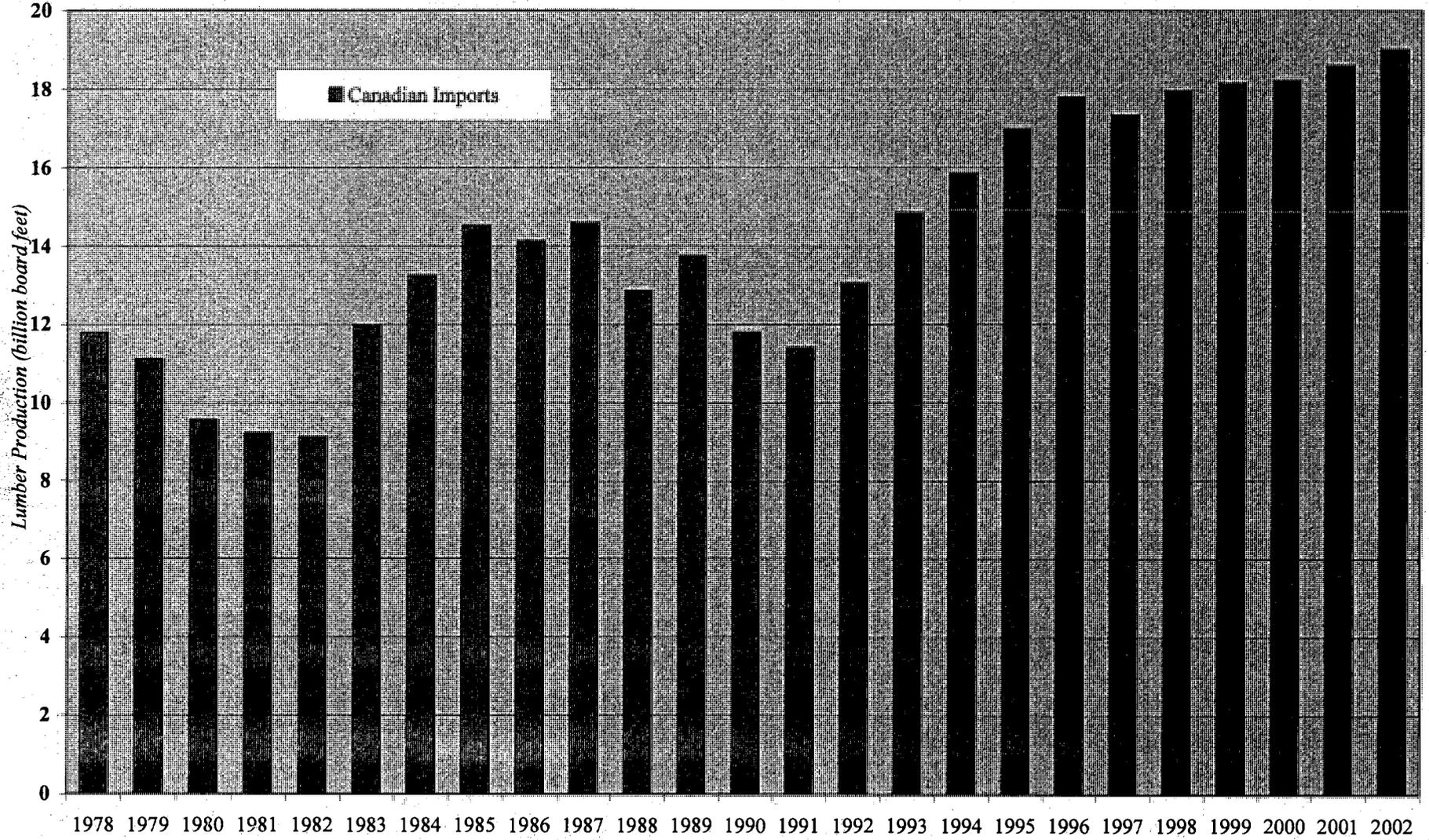
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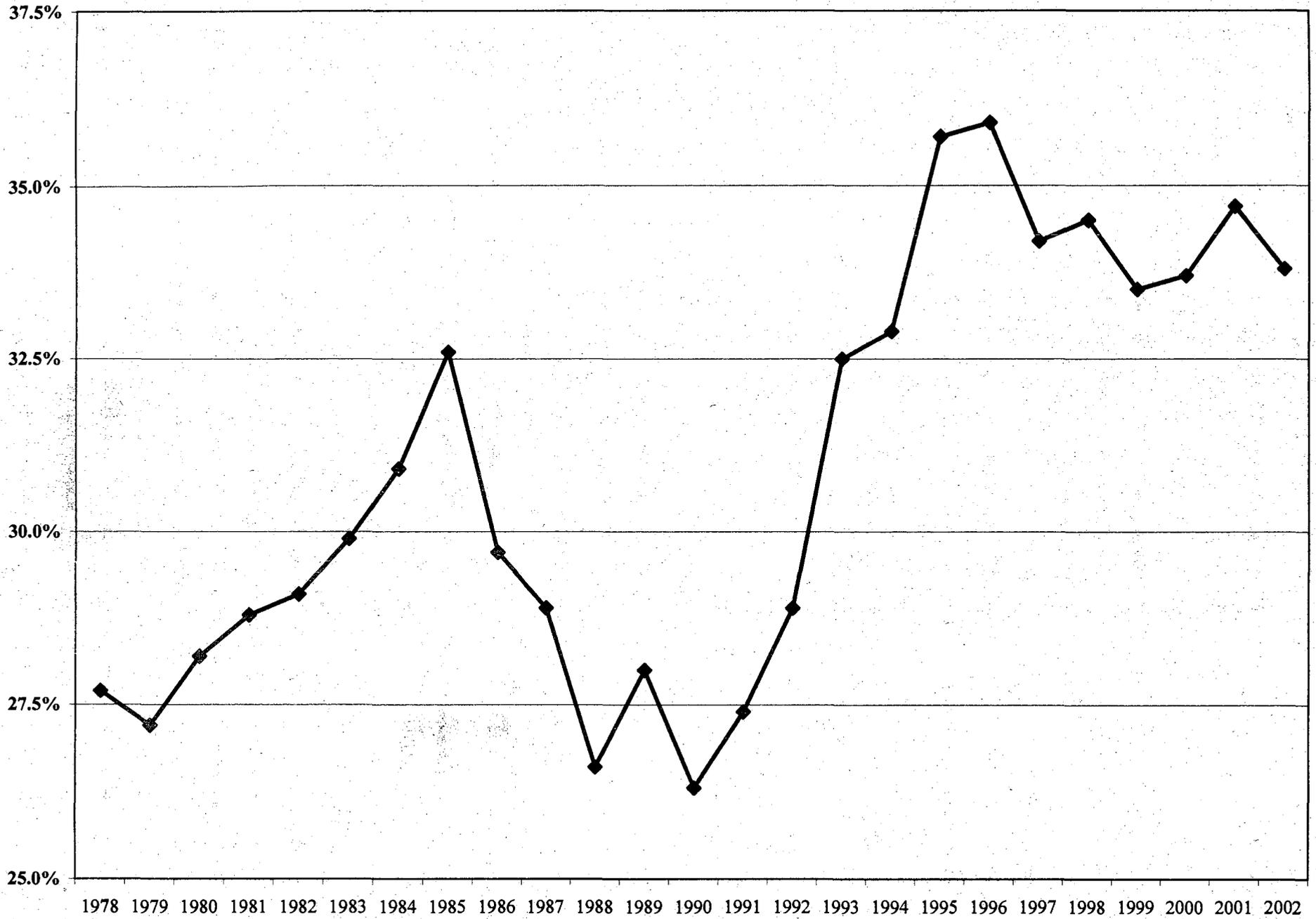
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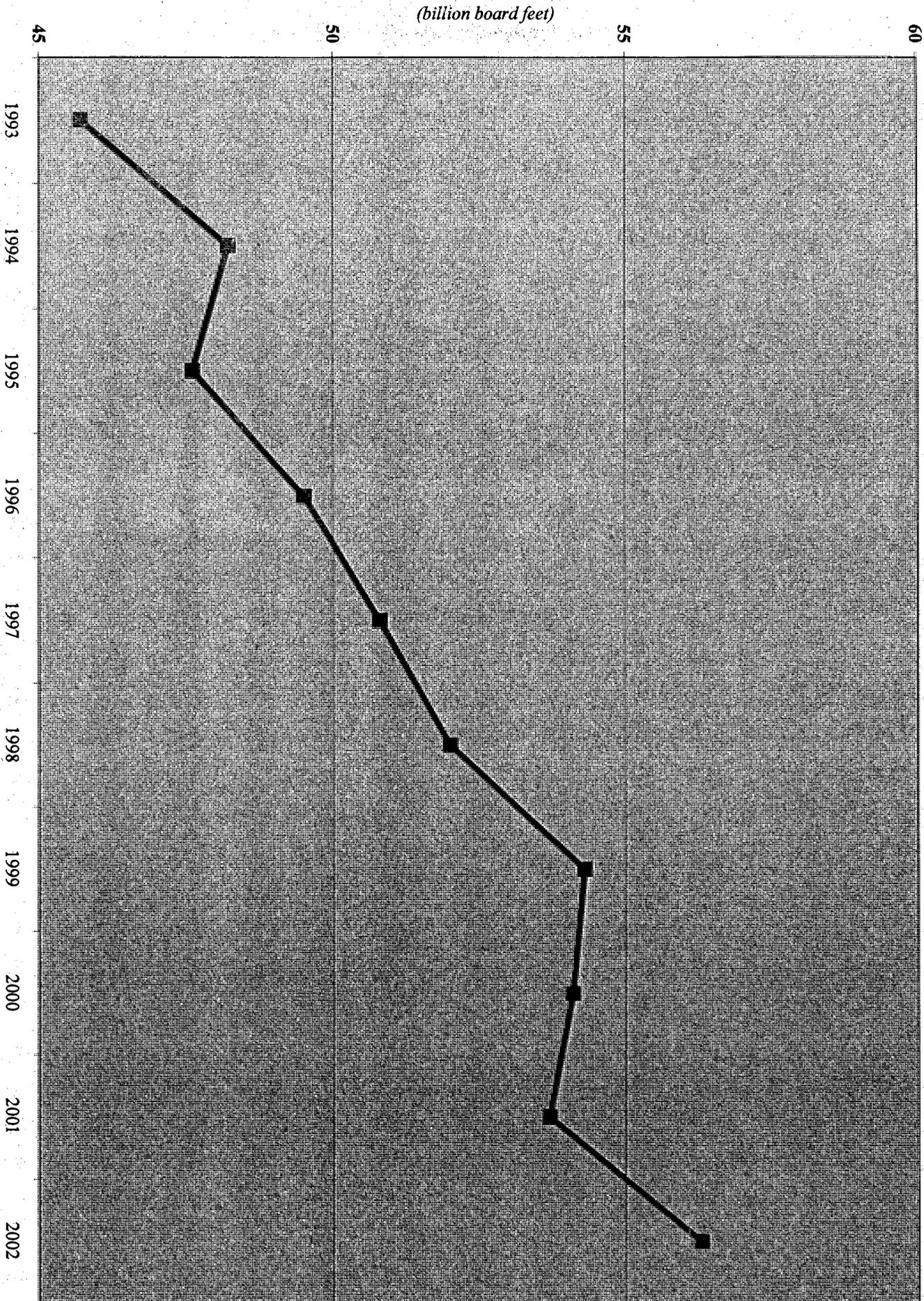


**Canadian Lumber Imports continue to rise.**

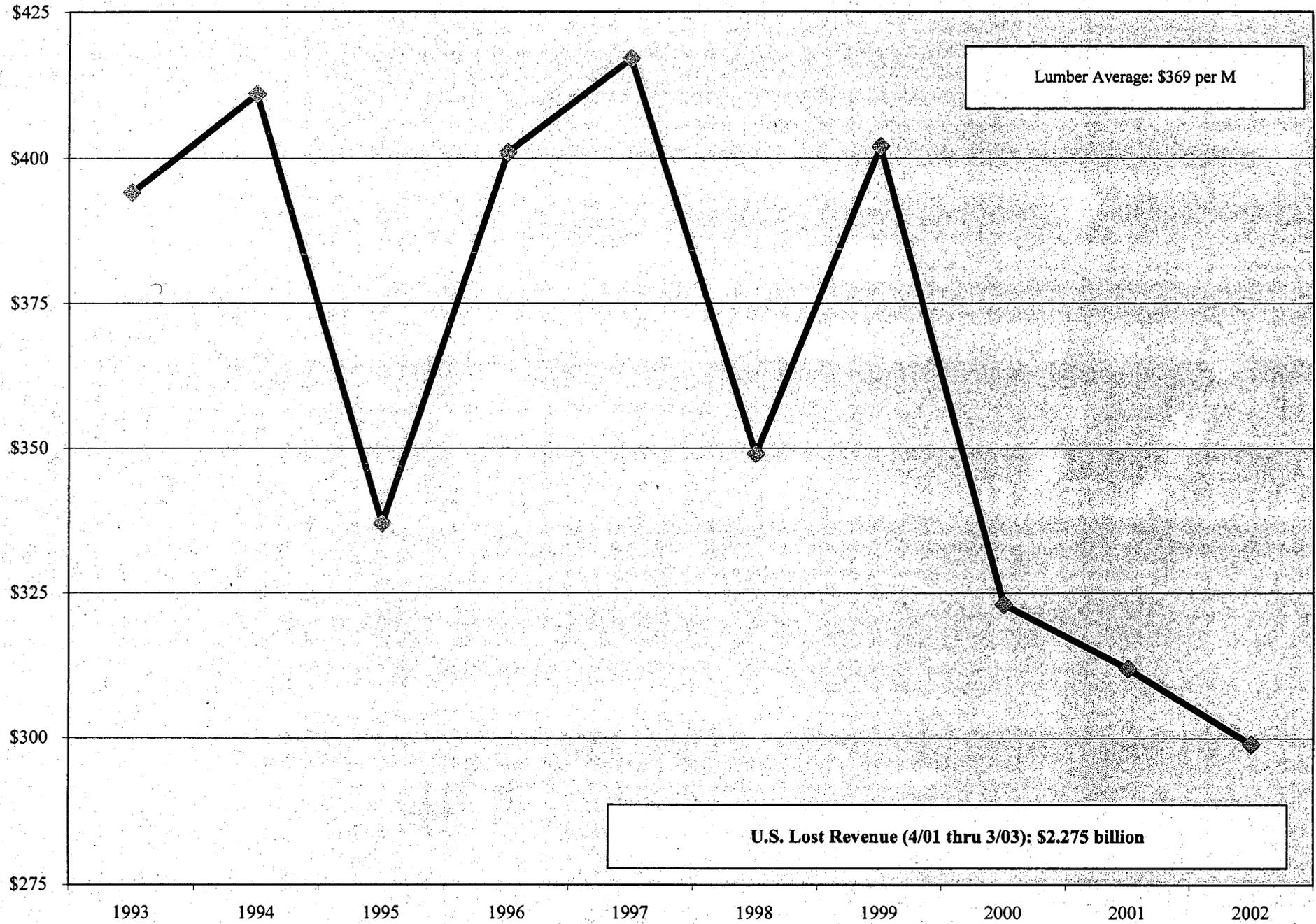
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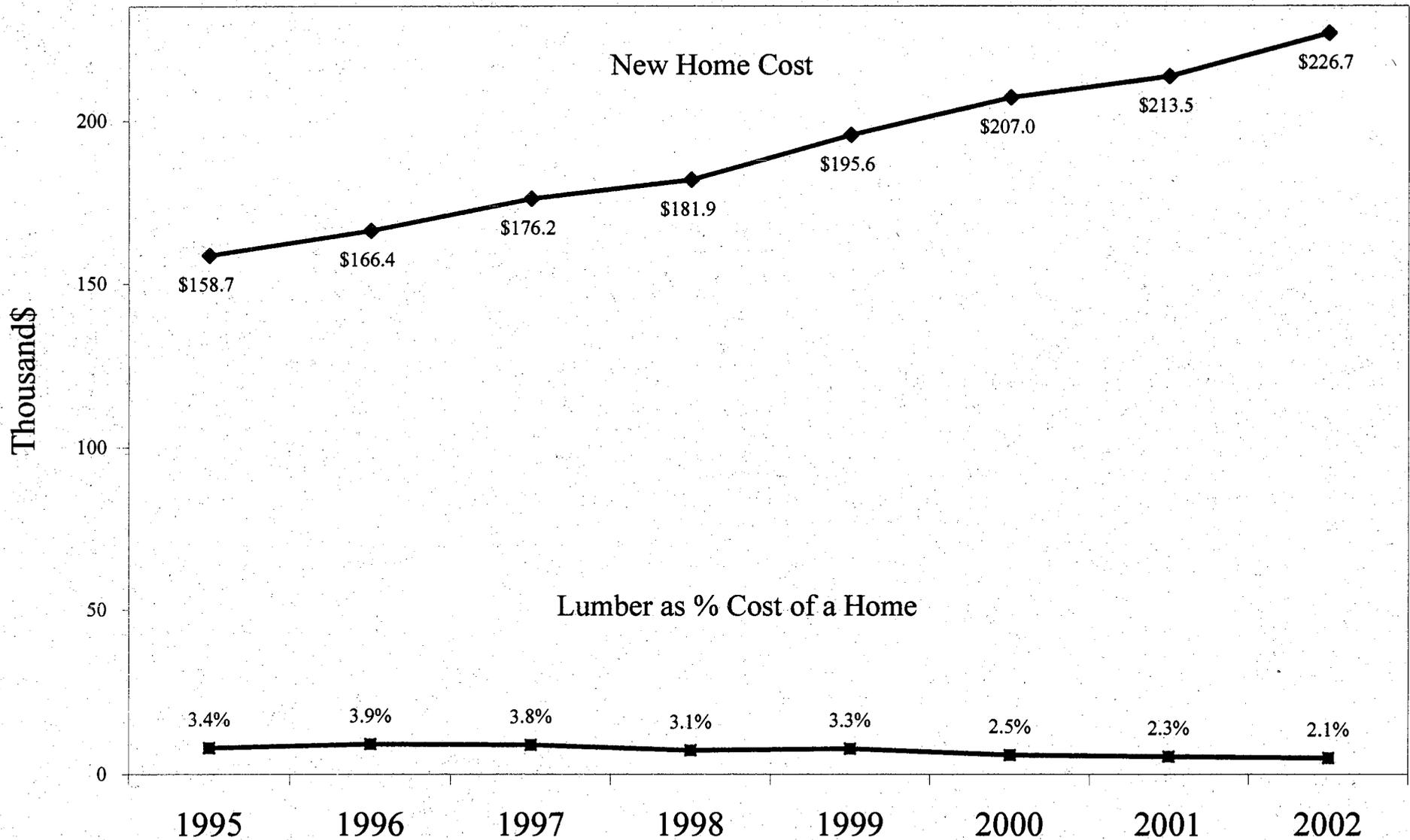
US Lumber Consumption 1993 - 2002



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# Lumber Has Not Caused Housing Cost Increases Under The Agreement



Sources: U.S. Census Bureau; *Random Lengths*; NAHB

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Killed in the crash along with Corporal Moore and Sergeant White were Capt. Andrew David La Mont, 31, of Eureka, Calif., and Capt. Timothy Louis Ryan, 30, of Aurora, Ill.

The news that Sergeant Straseskie had jumped into the water came as no surprise to his grandmother, Janice Helmer, back in Beaver Dam, Wis. "That's how our boys are," Ms. Helmer said. "We have a lake here too, and if he would have seen someone fall in there, he would have been right in after them."

Sergeant Straseskie, 23, had been planning to stay in the Marines for his career, Ms. Helmer said. But then he met a young woman he wanted to marry, so he had started talking of getting out and becoming a police officer to stay closer to her. "My heart was so filled with pride for what he did," his grandmother said, "but then also filled with hurt.

"Part of me wants to say, why him? Why did it have to be him? But then I think, why anybody really?"

### **Reshaping Medicare, Rural Roots in Mind**

By **ROBIN TONER**

CRESTON, Iowa, May 28 — When it comes to running the all-powerful Senate Finance Committee, geography is often destiny.

As the committee begins an overhaul of Medicare, it matters that the chairman is from Iowa: Senator Charles E. Grassley, Republican, farmer, a man who says he spends, on average, two nights a week in his bed on his 710-acre corn and soybean farm in New Hartford.

If Mr. Grassley has his way, the interests of rural America will loom large in the push to enact a Medicare law. And that could make life complicated for the Bush administration and its conservative allies, who want to transform Medicare from a traditional government health insurance program for the elderly to a new marketplace of competing private health plans.

Mr. Grassley, 69 and fresh from a brutal battle over tax cuts, in which his committee also played a central role, describes his challenge on Medicare as twofold: getting enough Democratic support for a bill to prevent a filibuster, and holding onto the more conservative Republicans that he describes as "the purists."

Along the way, he wants to raise the reimbursements for doctors and hospitals in rural areas and look after the interests of elderly beneficiaries in places like Iowa. They are overwhelmingly reliant on traditional Medicare and skeptical that health maintenance organizations and other private plans will ever really be accessible to them. And not without reason.

Until now, H.M.O.'s have not been available to Medicare beneficiaries in many rural areas.

"I don't have any quibbling with the desires of my colleagues who are more purist," Mr. Grassley said one night recently, over an Iowa pork chop. "But the practical thing is, you've got to sell it here at the grass-roots, not only in Iowa but all over the country."

That means promising people, he said, that they can stay with the traditional program, where they have free choice of doctors and hospitals, and still get a comprehensive new drug benefit. In

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contrast, the Bush administration and many of its conservative allies would prefer to use drug benefits as an incentive to entice people into the private plans; as a result, they have proposed offering far less generous drug coverage in the traditional program.

As Mr. Grassley made the rounds of town meetings in southwestern Iowa this week, he said that he disagreed with that approach. Asked by a skeptical doctor at a meeting in Atlantic whether Mr. Grassley would not, in the end, push the Bush plan, the senator replied: "No. Well, some elements of it would be."

"But let me explain," he added, while about 75 Iowans hung on his words. "When it finally got said and done, Bush never had a bill to present to Congress, because they didn't really know what they were doing. Not that their ideas were wrong, but they didn't have them well thought out, or put together in a perfect piece of legislation. So they ended up just establishing some principles.

"Now, those of us who have been working on Medicare and prescription drugs for the last two or three years, we feel like we know how to do it. So what we finally talked the president into, back in probably February or early March, was, 'We ain't going to wait for a bill; we're going to go ahead.' "

Mr. Grassley added, very plainly and carefully, his words highlighting the political risk of this issue: "We're going to give seniors a maximum of choice. If they want to keep their current Medicare, they can get it with prescription drugs. And if they want to go into a new Medicare, they can get that with prescription drugs, too."

Mr. Grassley is hardly the only member of the Finance Committee who is sensitive to rural America. In fact, the 21-member committee also includes senators from Montana, West Virginia, South Dakota, North Dakota, Maine, Vermont and Wyoming. It makes a difference, Mr. Grassley said, and he added, with a smile, that New York did well on Medicare issues when Senators Daniel Patrick Moynihan and Alfonse M. D'Amato of New York were on the Finance Committee.

The committee is expected to begin voting on a Medicare bill in early June, and Republican leaders in the House and Senate hope to act on the legislation before the July Fourth recess.

It will require Mr. Grassley once again to work closely with his counterpart in the House, the chairman of the Ways and Means Committee, Representative Bill Thomas, Republican of California. The tension between the men was apparent, repeatedly, in the battle over tax cuts.

Mr. Grassley said he assumed the relationship had healed, but added, "Have you ever seen him explode?"

"I just say the reality of it," said Mr. Grassley, who struggled to hold together his party's one-vote majority on the committee. At one point, Mr. Grassley said with some amusement, he told Mr. Thomas that more changes were needed in the tax bill to hold the Republican Senate moderates, and Mr. Thomas stormed from the room — even though it was his own office.

"They don't understand us," Mr. Grassley said of the House. "I can understand them. I served in the House. What it amounts to is, the majority party can get anything done they want to get done there."

Not so in the Senate, where some say Mr. Grassley will need significant Democratic support to get a bill passed.

"If this proposal significantly moves toward privatizing Medicare, I think there's a reasonable chance that Democrats will feel so strongly about defending the program that 60 votes will be needed to overcome a filibuster," said Ron Pollack, executive director of Families USA, a liberal advocacy group.

Mr. Grassley, who grew up on a farm but has spent the last 44 years in the state Legislature, the House and the Senate, carries himself modestly, happy to stay at economy motels on his round of town meetings, stopping by Wal-Mart at the end of the day. He is up for re-election next year and says he expects to raise "a massive amount of money" to meet what he expects to be a stiff challenge from the Democrats. He won 68 percent of the vote in 1998 and 70 percent in 1992.

Even after 23 years in the Senate and becoming chairman of a powerful committee, Mr. Grassley seems determined to present himself as an Iowan, first and foremost.

Doug Sickler, a retired banker active in economic development in Corning, told Mr. Grassley this week: "This is the heartland of America. Don't forget about us."

Mr. Grassley replied: "I come home every weekend. It's not easy to forget Iowa when you come home every weekend."

## ***Hearing to Affect Government's Ability to Try Terror Suspects in Civilian Courts***

By PHILIP SHENON

WASHINGTON, June 1 — The Justice Department's ability to continue prosecuting members of Al Qaeda and other important terrorist suspects in civilian courts is on the line in a landmark appeals court hearing this week in the government's case against Zacarias Moussaoui, Bush administration officials and defense lawyers agree.

The specific question before the United States Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit, in Richmond, Va., on Tuesday is whether Mr. Moussaoui, the only person charged in an American court with conspiring in the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks, has the right to question captured Qaeda members held overseas whose testimony may aid in his defense.

The Justice Department is arguing that he has no such right and that the government cannot make captured terrorists available for testimony without divulging national security secrets and interrupting the government's effort to interrogate them for information that might pre-empt terrorist attacks.

But twice this year, Judge Leonie M. Brinkema of Federal District Court in Alexandria, Va., has ruled that Mr. Moussaoui's right to seek out trial testimony for his defense overrides the government's claims of national security damage.

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Mr. Karl Rove  
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Dear Karl:

Because it is one of the most significant historic places in America, the National Trust has been involved in efforts to preserve and restore The Presidio in San Francisco for many years. We strongly supported the bipartisan effort to create The Presidio Trust, and we have worked constructively with the board and staff ever since to assist in the successful completion of its congressionally mandated mission.

A great deal of progress has been made, much of it in my judgment due to the fact that almost everyone who cares about the place – preservationists, conservationists, the business community, neighbors, history buffs, etc. – felt they were in some way represented in the very carefully balanced board that was initially established. The Presidio Trust has a very difficult task to accomplish, and there is almost no way it can succeed if that balance is not there.

Obviously, the President can and should make his own appointments as terms expire. I would only ask that he and you make every effort to continue the kind of balance on the Board that is essential to its success. While it can be said there are a number of political issues surrounding The Presidio, they are virtually all local and none of them are partisan. Please do everything you can to recommend that the President appoints people who really have the Presidio's interests at heart, who have the time and talent to contribute something to the effort, and who have no other agenda.

Thanks and best wishes.

Sincerely,

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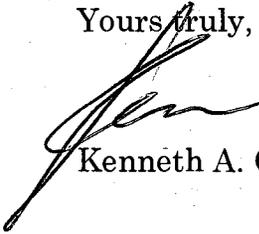
Re: American Council of Young Political Leaders

Dear Karl:

Debbie Hohlt told me that you were joining our Board of the ACYPL. Thank you for agreeing to give your time and attention to this organization.

As the Republican serving the longest on the current Board (since 1991), we welcome any contribution that you might be able to share with us in the coming years.

Yours truly,



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