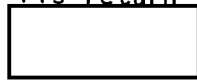


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5. The key to U.S. military recovery is an increase in spending that can be sustained at least through two Presidential terms and preferably longer:

- The Soviet military buildup resulted not from a short, sharp increase in spending but from sustained growth over two decades.
- The Soviets and our Allies would see a sustained effort as evidence of our will to compete and to make the necessary sacrifices.
- A long-term program would provide incentives for investment in and improvement of defense-related industries and could yield economies of scale.
- The new defense budget should be presented to the U.S. public (and overseas) as being at a realistic rate of increase that can and must be sustained for a number of years.

6. Additional materials for the meeting may come in over the weekend; if so, I will have them delivered to you at the airport Monday night.

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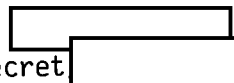
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