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KERRY: Let me begin by saying that my health-care plan is not what the president described. It is not a government takeover. You have choice. Choose your doctor, choose your plan. The government has nothing to do with it. In fact, it doesn't ask you to do anything – if you don't want to take it, you don't have to. If you like your high premiums, you keep them. That's the way we leave it. Now with respect to the deficit, the president was handed a \$5.6 trillion surplus, ladies and gentlemen. That's where he was when he came into office. We now have a \$2.6 trillion deficit. This is the biggest turnaround in the history of the country. He's the first president in 72 years to lose jobs. He talked about war. This is the first time the United States of America has ever had a tax cut when we're at war. Franklin Roosevelt, Harry Truman, others, knew how to lead. They knew how to ask the American people for the right things. One percent of America, the highest one percent of income earners in America, got \$89 billion of tax cut last year. One percent of America got more than the 80 percent of America that earned from \$100,000 down. The president thinks it's more important to fight for that top 1 percent than to fight for fiscal responsibility and to fight for you. I want to put money in your pocket. I am – I have a proposal for a tax cut for all people earning less than the \$200,000. The only people affected by my plan are the top income earners of America.