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OBAMA: All right, fair enough Let's move on You've got one more energy – you've got one more question LEHRER: This is the last – last lead question You have two minutes each And the question is this, beginning with you, Senator McCain What do you think the likelihood is that there would be another 9/11-type attack on the continental United States?

MCCAIN: I think it's much less than it was the day after 9/11 I think it – that we have a safer nation, but we are a long way from safe And I want to tell you that one of the things I'm most proud of, among others, because I have worked across the aisle I have a long record on that, on a long series of reforms But after 9/11, Senator Joe Lieberman and I decided that we needed a commission, and that was a commission to investigate 9/11, and find out what happened, and fix it And we were – we were opposed by the administration, another area where I differed with this administration And we were stymied until the families of 9/11 came, and they descended on Washington, and we got that legislation passed And there were a series of recommendations, as I recall, more than 40 And I'm happy to say that we've gotten written into law most of those reforms recommended by that commission I'm proud of that work, again, bipartisan, reaching across the aisle, working together, Democrat and Republican alike So we have a long way to go in our intelligence services We have to do a better job in human intelligence And we've got to – to make sure that we have people who are trained interrogators so that we don't ever torture a prisoner ever again We have to make sure that our technological and intelligence capabilities are better We have to work more closely with our allies and I can work much more closely with them I know our allies, But I can tell you that I think America is safer today than it was on 9/11 But that doesn't mean that we don't have a long way to go And I'd like to remind you, also, as a result of those recommendations, we've probably had the largest reorganization of government since we established the Defense Department And I think that those men and women in those agencies are doing a great job and that means doing a better job along our borders, as well But we still have a long way to go before we can declare America safe,

LEHRER: Two minutes, Senator Obama