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McCain: Well, Fiorra, I'm going to ask the American people to understand that there are some programs that we may have to eliminate I first proposed a long time ago that we would have to examine every agency and every bureaucracy of government And we're going to have to eliminate those that aren't working I know a lot of them that aren't working One of them is in defense spending, because I've taken on some of the defense contractors I saved the taxpayers \$6.8 billion in a deal for an Air Force tanker that was done in a corrupt fashion I believe that we have to eliminate the earmarks And sometimes those projects, not – not the overhead projector that Sen. Obama asked for, but some of them that are really good projects, will have – will have to be eliminated, as well And they'll have to undergo the same scrutiny that all projects should in competition with others So we're going to have to tell the American people that spending is going to have to be cut in America And I recommend a spending freeze that – except for defense, Veterans Affairs, and some other vital programs, we'll just have to have across-the-board freeze And some of those programs may not grow as much as we would like for them to, but we can establish priorities with full transparency, with full knowledge of the American people, and full consultation, not done behind closed doors and shoving earmarks in the middle of the night into programs that we don't even – sometime And, by the way, I want to go back a second Look, we can attack health care and energy at the same time We're not – we're not – we're not rifle shots here We are Americans We can, with the participation of all Americans, work together and solve these problems together I'm sorry, you'll have to wait I'm going to tell you Americans we'll get to work right away and we'll get to work together, and we can get them all done, because that's what America has been doing.

Brokaw: Sen McCain, thank you very much Sen Obama?