

Set 1: china, compani, oversea, industri, competit, invest, manufactur, worker

Set 2: spend, billion, defens, propos, dollar, budget, prioriti, cut

Set 3: abort, life, woman, aid, research, law, allow, ban

Set 4: border, immigr, illeg, citizen, law, open, employ, wait

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MODERATOR New question, Mr. President, to you. We are talking about protecting ourselves from the unexpected, but the flu season is suddenly upon us. Flu kills thousands of people every year. Suddenly we find ourselves with a severe shortage of flu vaccine. How did that happen?

GEORGE W. BUSH Bob, we relied upon a company out of England to provide about half of the flu vaccines for the United States citizen, and it turned out that the vaccine they were producing was contaminated. And so we took the right action and didnt allow contaminated medicine into our country. Were working with Canada to hopefully — that theyll produce a — help us realize the vaccine necessary to make sure our citizens have got flu vaccinations during this upcoming season. My call to our fellow Americans is if youre healthy, if youre younger, dont get a flu shot this year. Help us prioritize those who need to get the flu shot, the elderly and the young. The CDC, responsible for health in the United States, is setting those priorities and is allocating the flu vaccine accordingly. I havent gotten a flu shot, and I dont intend to because I want to make sure those who are most vulnerable get treated. We have a problem with litigation in the United States of America. Vaccine manufacturers are worried about getting sued, and therefore they have backed off from providing this kind of vaccine. One of the reasons Im such a strong believer in legal reform is so that people arent afraid of producing a product that is necessary for the health of our citizens and then end up getting sued in a court of law. But the best thing we can do now, Bob, given the circumstances with the company in England is for those of us who are younger and healthy, dont get a flu shot.

MODERATOR Senator Kerry?