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RYAN CONGRATULATES ORSZAG ON NOMINATION AS OMB CHIEF

House Budget Committee Ranking Republican Paul Ryan (R-WI) released the following statement on President-elect Obama's nomination of Congressional Budget Office Director Peter Orszag to head his Administration's Office of Management and Budget.

"I offer Dr. Peter Orszag my sincere congratulations on his nomination. I can't think of a more qualified candidate to lead the Obama Administration's Office of Management and Budget.

"During his nearly two years as director of the Congressional Budget Office, I believe Dr. Orszag has proven his mettle as one of our nation's leading experts on the federal budget. He and I have enjoyed a strong, productive working relationship, and I have been particularly impressed with his understanding of the looming entitlement crisis, and the critical need for action."