

STATEMENT OF THE HONORABLE PAUL RYAN
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Mr. Chairman and Ranking Member Lungren, it is my pleasure to join Chairman Spratt before your committee today. As I testified last February, our committee has a bipartisan tradition regarding the allocation of resources between the majority and minority. I thank Chairman Spratt for keeping that tradition alive and well. The majority makes at least one-third of the personnel budget available to the minority. Equipment for both the majority and minority then comes out of the common fund, on the same schedule, and with the same quality, for both sides.

The budget you approved for our committee is a disciplined one that treats the minority fairly. I'd be happy to answer any questions the committee has.