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Dear Mr President:

I am concerned about spending priorities. This week you released your annual budget. Fortunately for everyone there is no chance of enactment but the viciousness of its priorities can no longer be put to inexperience. First, while millions would be harmed by your cuts the reductions do not approach your wealthfare tax cuts for plutocrats leaving trillion dollar annual deficits. Next is the obvious targeting of the poor including (even emphasizing) rural areas with cuts from the most popular government activities such as health care (Medicare, Medicaid, CDC and ACA are all targeted), transit (Amtrak and infrastructure), education (two loan forgiveness programs) and environmental protections. Finally there is your ongoing effort to isolate and weaken the country diplomatically with drastic cuts at the State Department.

Please assure me that Monday's budget proposal was a joke.

I am very proud to be a US resident and a large part of that derives from our government for the people.

Sincerely, Eric Babson