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ROBO: ANTI TRUCK TAX  
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Dear ...:

While one can fully appreciate the President's desire to complete the interstate highway system without further stretchouts or cutbacks, I can share the feeling that there is such a thing as a tax increase which is at once so burdensome upon the trucking industry and upon tire and retreading rubber as to constitute a real threat to the survival of a good many lines and small industries.

You can be assured that when this proposal comes on for action it will have the most thoroughgoing scrutiny and attention. I appreciate your viewpoint.

Sincerely,

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FOR Truck Taxes

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Dear :

The proposed truck, tire, and retread rubber taxes, together with the continuance of the present gasoline tax, in order to maintain the completion timetable for the Interstate Highway System has generated strong and widespread protest as well as strong support. It will be necessary for the appropriate committees in both House and Senate to carefully scrutinize these proposals in order to develop a completely equitable approach to the problem. I am certain that a great deal of testimony will be offered and surely we shall be able from these presentations to provide a satisfactory approach.

I appreciate your interest.

Sincerely,

Everett McKinley Dirksen