Dear:

As you know by now, the proposal to reimpose excise taxes on telephone service and automobiles passed the Congress by a substantial margin and has been signed by the President.

The prevailing sentiment among members of Congress was that these should be temporarily reimposed to help carry the burden on our economy of our effort in Viet Nam; however, we Republicans will continue to insist that there be some cutbacks in Federal spending and those programs which may be desirable but which are not vitally necessary should be cut back or set aside in these troubled times.

It was good to hear from you.

Sincerely,

Everett McKinley Dirksen