

Coalition for Tax Competition

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Dear Senator Gregg and Representative Wolf,

Federal spending is too high and should be reduced. As part of an overall effort to help control the size of government, we believe American taxpayers should not subsidize the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD).

Even if we had a balanced budget, OECD funding would deserve scrutiny. The Paris-based bureaucracy increasingly promotes economic policies that are contrary to America's interests. We are particularly disturbed that the OECD has a "harmful tax competition" project that seeks to hinder the flow of jobs and capital to low-tax nations. And since the United States is the world's biggest beneficiary of international capital flows and tax competition, it certainly seems ill advised for the American taxpayer to finance this effort.

Reductions in OECD funding also could be augmented by restrictions that withhold funds until and unless anti-US policies are suspended. Simply stated, if international bureaucracies want to pursue interventionist policies, they should not expect American taxpayers to pick up the tab.

We look forward to working with you to bring spending under control and to making sure that US tax dollars are allocated in ways that advance America's interests.

Sincerely,

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