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REPORT  
FROM

**U.S. Senator**  
**JESSE ★ HELMS**

WASHINGTON—One of North Carolina's newspaper editors recently sent a suggested subject for this weekly report. He wrote: "People are worried about run-away price increases and the squabbling about federal spending. They are disgusted that something isn't being done about these problems, just a lot of talk."

That disgust is certainly justified. There has been far too much talk about inflation and federal spending and too little done about it. Time and time again, I have seen some of my colleagues in the Senate fail to take advantage of opportunities to cut federal spending. And, needless to say, deficit spending by the federal government is the greatest single contributor to the ever-increasing inflationary spiral.

I have voted consistently against any increase in the budget. At every opportunity I have voted to reduce spending. And almost always I have been in the minority.

It is a matter of losing, as a personal thing. What I want is the repeated victories enjoyed by the big spenders in the Congress. We simply cannot continue to do what we do not have. We cannot continue to fuel the fire of inflation. Sooner or later, unless controlled, it will engulf America.

One newspaper friend has his fingers on the pulse of the people. Unquestionably, inflation is indeed the major problem.

Along this same line, these past few weeks have been extremely busy ones for those of us who are on the Senate Agriculture Committee. The Committee will make its report to the Senate. Now, I am in support of the farm Bill, but I feel obliged to state my views on two provisions of the bill which are designed to give food stamps which are in the most ways than one to people on farms and small towns which could never profitably run their farms.

The first provision, that giving food stamps to the unemployed, which Congress has said is to insure economic stability and to avoid

the need to tax farmers because of support those who are unemployed, is a bad idea, which would result in a great deal of waste. This study overstrengthens a terrible blow. First, he is taxed to support the strong and second, he must bear the burden of the costs of goods and services. This, to me, is an extremely unwise and unnecessary expense.

The second provision of the Farm Bill is the cutting of food to communists in our country when we sell on credit at a subsidized rate of only two percent.

This recent law allows the dole of food to some countries but does not allow food to be sold to other countries. The Committee proposal will change these rules with倒置. Now, if anyone wants to send food to our enemies, surely it is better to loan it to them.

I am in agreement that we should do so on a long-term basis at interest rates of two percent. At the very least, we should change the same rate that the government pays, the taxpayer is required to pay for borrowed by the U.S. Treasury.

Helping the American taxpayer is being required to give away tools to our sworn enemies in my opinion for Pepe's a misnomer. We have to pay the same amount of money as the give-away program takes two friends with subsidized food, and there is an expense in facility-paid for by you, the lesser taxpayer.

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