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Today, U.S. Senator Marco Rubio joined with 10 fellow Republican Senators in sending a letter to House Speaker John Boehner (R-Ohio) urging House Republican Leadership to make spending cuts of no less than \$100 billion for Fiscal Year 2011. The letter was signed by U.S. Senators Marco Rubio (R-Florida), Tom Coburn (R-Oklahoma), Jim DeMint (R-South Carolina), John Ensign (R-Nevada), Mike Enzi (R-Wyoming), Mike Johanns (R-Nebraska), Ron Johnson (R-Wisconsin), Mike Lee (R-Utah), Rand Paul (R-Kentucky), Pat Toomey (R-Pennsylvania), and David Vitter (R-Louisiana).

### *Full text below*

February 3, 2011

The Honorable John Boehner  
Speaker of the U.S. House of Representatives  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Mr. Speaker:

We applaud your efforts to cut out-of-control federal spending and begin the long journey to restore the federal government to its proper constitutional bounds. We conservatives in the Senate join you in this journey, and the American people clearly stand with us.

We believe that, as part of the urgent need to cut federal spending, the total value of the fiscal year 2011 spending reductions in the upcoming continuing resolution should be no less than \$100 billion. The American people expect at least this level--which is just one-fifteenth of the FY2011 budget deficit.

In order to have the best chance of enacting into law \$100 billion or more in spending reductions this fiscal year, we need the House to pass a CR containing no less than \$100 billion in FY2011 spending cuts. Since the Democrats still control the Senate, we need the House-passed CR to be as bold as possible in order to strengthen the hand of Senate conservatives in increasing or maintaining the spending reductions.

We look forward to working with you on immediate and assertive steps to reversing the unconscionable growth of federal spending over the last decade.

Sincerely,

U.S. Senators Tom Coburn (R-Oklahoma), Jim DeMint (R-South Carolina), John Ensign (R-Nevada), Mike Enzi (R-Wyoming), Mike Johanns (R-Nebraska), Ron Johnson (R-Wisconsin), Mike Lee (R-Utah), Rand Paul (R-Kentucky), Marco Rubio (R-Florida), Pat Toomey (R-Pennsylvania), and David Vitter (R-Louisiana).

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