

1           MR. CASTEEN: I would like to thank both the panels,  
2 but particularly this one for your work on our behalf today.

3           I think one of the realities of this is that Congress  
4 will decide what it's going to do. And that for all of the  
5 discussion that may take place within the academic community or  
6 the association community, in the end, most of the cards in the  
7 game are on the other side of the table.

8           So one of the issues that we may be trying to  
9 understand is how best to understand the issues in the Congress.  
10 And having understood the issues, how best to work with the  
11 Congress going forward.

12           I am struck by the fact that a good bit of the analysis  
13 that we have heard from the Senator is not commonplace analysis  
14 that we hear at AAU meetings, or elsewhere, for example, the  
15 ratios and the numbers. And I am sort of convinced after  
16 listening that as we look for common ground that most of us can  
17 occupy, we may well need to work to understand all of the numbers  
18 a lot better than -- I will call myself a lay person in this --  
19 than we lay people can understand at this point.

20           I am grateful to the sponsoring organizations, and  
21 also, obviously, to the Carnegie Institution for bringing us  
22 together today, and I want to thank all of you for coming.

23           Thank you very much.

24           (Whereupon, at 5:03 p.m., the workshop was concluded.)

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