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Not to mention, I can think of countless ways of spending $42 million, say….paying down the deficit?

After three years of declining deficits, this plan will help increase the deficit, putting us back in the same situation we were in after 9/11.