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Prospects for Social Security and Medicare Reform in President Bush's Second Term

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Mr. Hoagland acts as a liaison to the leadership of the United States Senate and House of Representatives. He assists in evaluating the fiscal impact of major legislation and helps coordinate budget policy for the Senate leadership.

Prior to coming to the Senate Majority Leader's office in January 2003 he spent 20 years with the Senate Budget Committee. On the Budget Committee he served as its staff director reporting to Senator Pete V. Domenici of New Mexico. Hoagland participated in major budget legislation including the 1985 Gramm-Rudman-Hollings Budget Deficit Reduction Act, the 1990 Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act and the historic 1997 Balanced Budget Agreement. He is versed in macroeconomics, federal budget policy and procedure, agriculture, income security, food and nutrition policy, and researches and writes on the federal budget, income distribution and economic policies.

Recent conference papers and publications include: "Priorities and Budget Challenges in a Nation at War," American Association for Budget and Program Analysis, May 2002; "Financing the Future: Medicare + Choice in the 21st Century," AAHP Medicare & Medicaid Conference, September 2002. Some of his international publications include: "National Indebtedness in the U.S." presented at the International Symposium on National Indebtedness, Berlin, Germany, November 1998; and "Fiscal Policy in U.S. and Japan, Surpluses and Deficits: Real or Different?" Tokyo, Japan, May 1999.

In 1981 he served as the Administrator of the Department of Agriculture's Food Nutrition Service. He also served as Special Assistant to the Secretary of Agriculture. He was one of the first employees of the Congressional Budget Office in 1975 working with its first Director, Alice Rivlin. He remained at CBO until 1981. The 1997 National Journal listed him as one of the Washington 100 Decision Makers and referred to him as a "bottom-liner who is not a hard-liner." He has consistently been ranked by the newspaper Roll Call as one of the top 50 Hill Staffers.

Born in Covington, Indiana, Hoagland attended the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy and holds degrees in agriculture economics from Purdue University and Pennsylvania State University. He continues to be involved in the small Indiana farm that has been in his family for over a century.