

World & Nation

Bush and Dukakis on the issues: Part III

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Health:

Would you support legislation to provide free or low-cost health insurance (Medicaid) to all people with incomes at or below poverty levels?

DUKAKIS: (No answer checked.) This spring, I signed legislation which provides basic health care for all the citizens of Massachusetts — the first law of its kind in American history.

BUSH: (No answer checked.) We have already made great strides in this direction in certain provisions under the Catastrophic Health Care Act.

Human rights:

Do you support making the defense of human rights a central concern of U.S. foreign policy, especially in places where human rights are most at risk (e.g., Central America, the Soviet Union and Eastern Europe, southern Africa, Haiti and Korea)?

DUKAKIS: Support. Defending freedom is our first responsibility. Advancing freedom is our moral responsibility.

International economic policy:

Do you support or oppose the following positions? Please comment.

Increase in U.S. development assistance to needy Third World countries?

DUKAKIS: (No answer checked.) By



helping Third World economies to grow, development assistance serves the goals of easing suffering, promoting democracy and creating markets for American exports.

BUSH: (No answer checked.) Economic development in the Third World cannot occur without the expansion of democratic liberties and free enterprise.

Reduction of U.S. military and security-related assistance to Third-World countries?

DUKAKIS: (No answer checked.) In general, I believe that economic assistance to Third World nations serves American foreign policy goals better than military assistance.

BUSH: Oppose. Strong economies foster strong democracies. As president, one of my primary concerns will be to help developing countries strengthen their economies.



Many developing nations, Pakistan for example, are confronted with external threats. Military assistance helps these nations carry the burden of their own defense.

U.S. government efforts to relieve the debt burden of poor developing nations?

DUKAKIS: Support. The U.S. government should serve as an honest broker between governments and bankers.

BUSH: Support. Large international debt is a major problem for developing nations. Debt weakens their economies, preventing them from buying our products.

Increase of multilateral assistance to the poorest nations?

DUKAKIS: Support. BUSH: Support. As president, I would encourage our affluent allies to become more generous in their support to developing nations.

Mass media:

With respect to the appropriate basis for government regulation of broadcasting, do you support the public trustee model of regulation of the airwaves, i.e., that the airwaves are owned by the American public as a whole...

DUKAKIS: Support. BUSH: (See combined response to media questions below.)

Is the business of broadcasting more efficiently and appropriately regulated by marketplace forces?

DUKAKIS: Oppose. Unlike print media in which infinite competition is possible, there are a limited number of broadcast airwaves — airwaves which belong to the American people and not to a few corporations.

Do you support the fairness doctrine? DUKAKIS: Support. BUSH: (See combined answer below.)

Do you support the "equal time" regulations of the FCC?

DUKAKIS: Support. While I strongly support the principle of equal time for candidates for political office to express their views on the public airwaves, I recognize that accommodating the needs of a multicanidate presents problems for broadcasters.

BUSH: I support the repeal of the fairness doctrine. Our administration consistently

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