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If the debt ceiling issue blows up the way some think it may, we've been doing a little thinking on how President Clinton handled it, and how it became the Republicans shutting down the government. The question will be is it Republicans blowing up the government. I assume WJC may get asked at some point, and Anthony sort of already is on cable shows, how do you win this fight? Factually, I would recall: 1. President Clinton had a balanced budget plan. This made it not whether you were

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for one, but how to get there; 2. President Clinton talked about the values and policies he wanted to protect and fight for – Social Security, Medicare, Medicaid, Education and the Environment. Opponents had to oppose that reasonable approach. 3. President Clinton didn't talk about this personally, and there was a rapid response of the Administration setting the facts straight every day. (Also, we had ads up at the time)...Tom

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