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- Leaders I'm seeing here have many important issues on their minds – one issue is the condition of our financial markets, which is the top issue on my mind, too.
- America is facing a serious financial crisis, and it's critical that we address it quickly. If Congress does not act, problems we're seeing in financial markets could spread across our economy. And if the US economy suffers due to a failure to solve this problem through immediate policy changes, other economies across the globe will suffer too.
- So my message to leaders here is that America tackles big problems with big solutions. This solution will unfreeze the money in our financial system so it can get moving again and support our businesses and homeowners.
- And it's important that this program also be transparent and protect Americans' tax dollars.
- I just spoke to Secretary Paulson this morning -- he updated me on how negotiations with Congress are going. They still have some work to do, but they're getting closer to an agreement.
- I appreciate the focused attention and very hard work of members of Congress and my Administration who are working to bring this legislation to conclusion this week.