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		Release, Video, Press	main communications			present the news items (separate
		Event, Other)	points			tags with ";")
Sec. Solis issues statement	http://www.dol.gov/opa/media/pr	Press Release	Secretary of Labor Hilda L.	Secretary of Labor Hilda L. Solis today issued the following	2/26/2010 14:30	COBRA;insurance;safety
on COBRA programs	ess/opa/OPA20100262.htm		Solis issued a statement of	statement:		net;recovery;benefits;
			on legislation to extend			
			unemployment insurance,	"It is essential that Congress extend the unemployment		
			COBRA safety net	insurance and COBRA safety net programs that are part of the		
			programs. "I am	American Recovery and Reinvestment Act past their current		
			disappointed that partisan	expiration date of Feb. 28. If Emergency Unemployment		
			politics have been	Compensation and full federal funding of the Extended		
			interjected into this	Benefit program are not extended, 400,000 Americans will		
			essential extension. The	lose these vital benefits during the first couple of weeks in		
			American people need and	March. By May, nearly 3 million people would be left without		
			deserve better. We cannot	these benefits. Furthermore, if the Recovery Act COBRA		
			stop supporting workers	subsidy is not extended, thousands of families will lose access		
			who desperately seek jobs	to affordable health care.		
			but in many cases simply			
			cannot find them. "	"I am disappointed that partisan politics have been		
				interjected into this essential extension. The American people		
				need and deserve better. We cannot stop supporting workers	•	
				who desperately seek jobs but in many cases simply cannot		
				find them. For many households with an unemployed worker,	1	
				these benefits are the only thing that allows them to keep		
				paying the bills and supporting their families as they look for		
				new employment.		
				"In addition to providing relief to millions of unemployed,		
				extending these benefits is vital to recovery. According to the		
				non-partisan Congressional Budget Office, benefit programs		

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DOL announces \$1.3M grant for Idaho workers	http://www.dol.gov/opa/media/press/eta/eta20100226.htm	Press Release	The U.S. Department of Labor today announced a \$1,324,672 grant to assist about 275 workers affected by layoffs at Dell Computer's call center in Twin Falls, Idaho. "This grant will provide important re-employment and retraining services to help workers in Idaho access job opportunities in expanding fields," said Secretary of Labor Hilda L. Solis. An Idaho Department of Labor analysis indicates possible upcoming job vacancies in nursing, elementary and secondary education, and general and operations managerial occupations.	The U.S. Department of Labor today announced a \$1,324,672 grant to assist about 275 workers affected by layoffs at Dell Computer's call center in Twin Falls, Idaho.  "This grant will provide important re-employment and retraining services to help workers in Idaho access job opportunities in expanding fields," said Secretary of Labor Hilda L. Solis.  Awarded to and operated by the Idaho Department of Labor, this grant will provide affected workers with access to dislocated worker services. These services may include skills assessment, basic skills training, individual career counseling and occupational skills training.  An Idaho Department of Labor analysis indicates possible upcoming job vacancies in nursing, elementary and secondary education, and general and operations managerial occupations.  Layoffs at Dell's Twin Falls call center began in November 2009 and continued through January 2010 with the facility's closure. Of the \$1,324,672 announced today, \$614,808 will be released initially. Additional funding up to the amount approved will be made available as the state demonstrates a continued need for assistance.		grant;Idaho;layoffs;recovery;training;NEG;

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DOL announces \$7.5M for Kansas workers	http://www.dol.gov/opa/media/pr ess/eta/eta20100216.htm	Press Release	from four companies in the area's aviation manufacturing industry: Boeing, Bombardier Aerospace, Cessna and Hawker Beechcraft Corp.	The U.S. Department of Labor today announced a \$7,543,200 grant to assist about 1,120 workers affected by layoffs from multiple companies in the aviation, construction, health care, manufacturing and retail industries in south central Kansas. The majority of the layoffs were from four companies in the area's aviation manufacturing industry: Boeing, Bombardier Aerospace, Cessna and Hawker Beechcraft Corp.  "Aviation manufacturing and other industries in Kansas have been significantly impacted by the recent economic downturn. These Kansans deserve our support as they take part in the nation's ongoing economic recovery," said Secretary of Labor Hilda L. Solis. "This grant will help workers obtain the re-employment and training services they need to secure good jobs in new and emerging industries."  Today's grant was awarded to the Workforce Alliance of South Central Kansas. If pending Trade Adjustment Assistance (TAA) petitions for a number of these workers also are approved, today's grant will provide these dislocated workers with access to "wrap-around" and supportive services, such as dependent care and transportation assistance, that are not available through the TAA program. If the TAA petitions are denied, the workers still will have access to the full array of training and employment-related services under this grant.		grant;Kansas;layoffs;recovery;trainin g;NEG;
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