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But she declined to specifically back the 30-year period that Jindal and others have advocated.

She called on President Bush to sign an executive order extending repayments. She says that the president would have to approve any action by Congress, an executive order would be the quickest solution.

State officials have asked for more time to repay the money, saying three years is too short and could jeopardize recovery in other programs.

Pelosi spoke as she and other congressional Democrats toured work by the Army Corps of Engineers at the Harvey Canal floodwall.

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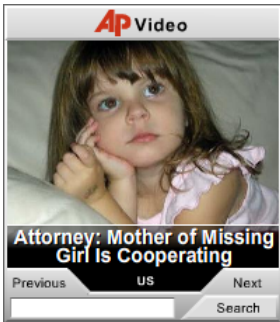
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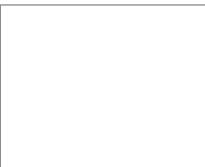
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