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## New at Reason: William Niskanen's 1978 Reason Interview

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William Niskanen, the chairman emeritus of the Cato Institute, former head of Ronald Reagan's Council of Economic Advisers, and one of the great figures in the libertarian movement, passed away last month at the age of 78. In this 1978 interview with *Reason*, conducted while Niskanen was still working as chief economist for the Ford Motor Company, a position he later lost because of his principled opposition to protectionist U.S. trade policies, Niskanen discusses tax reform, limiting federal spending, and why government has an inherent bias towards bureaucracy.

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