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Bentsen: Dukakis supports defense

SHERMAN (AP) — Lloyd Bentsen Bob Slagle, the state Democr pushed hard Tuesday to sell Michael Du- chairman who helped introduce Ben kakis as someone who'll support a strong defense, and he worked to deflect any harm to the ticket from Dukakis' acknowledgment that he was a liberal.

The Texas senator hopped into the cockpit of an F-16C jet fighter at the General Dynamics plant in Fort Worth, and told workers there the Dukakis-Bentsen team opposed the Reagan administration plan to reduce purchases of those planes next year from 180 to 100. "Michael Dukakis and Lloyd Bentsen

support a strong national defense," "The F-16 is an integral part of that," he said, pointing to the Demo-cratic proposal for more conventional weapons instead of more spending on Star Wars and nuclear weapons.

Bentsen continued emphasizing defense at a rally outside the courthouse in Sherman, were he told several hundred spectators that Republican commercials in Texas claiming that the Democrats were going to shut down defense plants were "absolutely untrue."

Bentsen, questioned by reporters, brushed aside suggestions by reporters that Dukakis hurt himself in Texas by calling himself a liberal. Most Texans, according to polls, consider themselves conservative.

"He said (he was a liberal) . . . in the terms of Jack Kennedy and a Harry Truman and I don't think anyone ever questioned their being for a strong national defense," Bentsen said.

'You know, what you have to look at turb the tour of the mile-long plan and read is how he stated it," he said. 'He talked about it in the terms of Harry Truman, in the terms of Jack Kennedy, in the terms of balanced budgets, in the cockpit of a new F-16C for the camera terms of paying your own way.

Though the Republican administration suit. talks about fiscal responsiblity, it hasn't given the U.S. a balanced budget yet, he the next campaign stop and meet his er

in Sherman, said he didn't think Dukak did much harm.

"I don't think it's really hurti nedy

But Reggie Bashur, the spokesm for the Bush-Quayle campaign in Texa said by calling himself a liberal, he real hurt himself in Texas. Evidence of damage was already showing up in track ing polls, he said.

In Texas, he said, the term liber stands for the George McGovern, Jim Carter and Walter Mondale school d Democrats

"I don't know what his handlers we thinking" when they let Dukakis that, he said.

After Sherman, Bentsen was flying Owensboro, Ky., St. Louis, Mo., a Carbondale, Ill.

Bentsen, a bomber pilot in World Wa II, clearly enjoyed the stop at the General Dynamics plant.

Workers chanted "Bentsen, Bent sen," and several employees yelled of in objection to George Bush's running mate, Dan Quayle, calling him a draf dodger

There were also Bush supporters if evidence, but they did not heckle or di which manufactures about 300 jets a

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He joked to reporters that he'd fly it tourage there.

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