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the Yalta Conference. We have the big three, at least. Senator Raikes, what are nominal tax rates, if you know?

SENATOR RAIKES: Nominal tax rates would be sort of the numerical tax rate absent any attempt to correct for inflation or...yeah, inflation factors. I think inflation would be the main one. So it's sort of the tax rate as named.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Which means what?

SENATOR RAIKES: You might, for example, have a price that represents a current price that you would pay today, or a price that was deflated so that...divided by an inflation index that would reflect a price before inflation had occurred, that sort of thing.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: So we have this stated price.

SENATOR RAIKES: Um-hum.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: And this other price you were talking about that might be affected one way or the other by inflation or deflation is not actually stated, but it's calculated?

SENATOR RAIKES: Right.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Is that true?

SENATOR RAIKES: And if I'm on the right track, the counterpart to a nominal rate would be a real rate.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Okay. Now what is a real rate, as opposed to a nominal rate?

SENATOR RAIKES: A real one would be the calculated one. It would be the one that had been adjusted by the inflation index.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: So that is...the real rate is the one that you wind up with after any and all types of adjustments may have been made, so you know what the reality is that we're dealing with specifically.