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Washington-Hearings on the Food for Peace program were started Monday morning in the Committee on House Agriculture, and Rep. Bob Dole (R.Kans), a member of the committee, indicated that hearings may extend for several weeks.

"Initial witnesses", Dole stated, "have stressed that a livable world cannot long exist in which 2/3 of its people never get enough to eat. It also seems clear that the objectives cannot be reached very fast or cheaply. There are obviously no panaceas nor short-cuts in overcoming the food crisis.

"The problems in developing countries cannot be overcome by false prophets who argue for simple or cheap solutions. There are so many problems involved in overcoming the food crisis in such countries as India, that it is almost beyond comprehension. Included in the economic, political, and social problems of agriculture in the less developed world, are the problems involving farm credit, marketing, storage, transportation, land tenure, crop diversification, investment in processing agricultural products, and above all, communication with and motivation of the farmers.

"To increase food production, it will be necessary to carry out an integrated program of capital investment in fertilizer plants, irrigation development, production of improved seeds, pest control, mechanization, agricultural research and training, provisions for purchase of trucks and tractors, effective storage facilities, and food processing plants.