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WASHINGTON, D.C., Oct. 13 -- Under Secretary of Agriculture John A. Schnittker has assured Congressman Bob Dole that net proceeds from the sale of wheat marketing certificates to exporters would be distributed after June 30, 1969 to growers cooperating in the 1968 wheat program.

In a recent letter to Secretary Freeman, Dole asked for a clarification of this program, pointing out exporters have paid as much as 25 cents or more per bushel for certificates enabling them to sell U.S. wheat abroad. The Kansas Congressman, a ranking member of the House Agriculture Committee, estimated total collections under the program might reach \$100 million, if wheat prices remain at current levels.

Replying to Dole, Schnittker said, "Distributions will be made only to producers participating in the wheat program. Because the amount to be distributed is a net figure, distribution is not made during the course of the year but rather at the end of the marketing year."

On the amount to be distributed, Schnittker added, "This depends upon the quantity of the various classes of wheat exported from the several coasts of export, upon the certificate cost on each bushel, and upon the direct subsidy payments made in putting these wheats into export."