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WASHINGTON, D.C., May 2 -- U.S. Senator Bob Dole (R-Kans.) today again "strongly urged" reconsideration of the proposed shift of three federal regional offices from Kansas City to Denver, Colo. at a White House luncheon meeting with two top aides of President Nixon.

The President announced in late March the regional offices of the Departments of Labor and Health, Education and Welfare and the Office of Economic Opportunity would be moved from Kansas City to Denver and that a regional office for the Housing and Urban Development Department would be located in Denver rather than Kansas City. All of the offices would serve an 11-state region: Missouri, Montana, Utah, Colorado, Wyoming, North Dakota, South Dakota, Iowa, Idaho, Kansas and Nebraska.

Dole said, "The entire Kansas congressional delegation is exerting every effort to keep the offices in Kansas City" and that he was assured that top federal officials are "carefully reviewing the proposal and possible alternatives."