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WASHINGTON, D.C. Oct. 28, 1969---U.S. Senator Bob Dole (R-Kans.) today said news stories that North Vietnam will release information about American prisoners of war is proof that the North Vietnamese are "subject to the weight of world public opinion."

It is important to recognize and emphasize this fact," Dole said in remarks on the Senate floor.

"I have urged repeatedly that public criticism be directed at the North Vietnamese for failing to show a positive attitude at the Paris peace talks. Last week I was answered that such criticism did not have any effect.

In fact, the North Vietnamese do respond to it and their response to pleas for information on our prisoners of war proves it.

"If sufficient attention is directed to the North Vietnamese intransigence at Paris, they cannot afford to maintain their uncooperative attitude. If those who call for changed American policy would devote some of their energies to pointing out the faults of the North Vietnamese, the North Vietnamese would have to negotiate in earnest."