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WASHINGTON, D.C. -- John T. Dunlop, Director of the Cost of Living Council will meet Monday, in Washington with various senators to discuss the critical shortage of fertilizer. The meeting was arranged by Senator Bob Dole and Senator Hubert Humphrey, both members of the Senate Agriculture and Forestry Committee.

Dole said, "Our farmers are facing a critical shortage of fertilizer as most of the production is being exported, since the export price is far greater than the domestic price. Winter wheat planting will get into full swing in the next three weeks and our wheat farmers need this fertilizer to apply now. Controls imposed by the Cost of Living Council are preventing any increase in domestic prices and our farmers are unable to obtain much needed fertilizer."