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## **NEWS** from U.S. Senator Bob Dole

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## DOLE URGES RAPID ACTION FOR FOUNDATION FOR THE BLIND

WASHINGTON, D.C.--Senator Bob Dole spoke yesterday with Warren Butler, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Community Development of the Department of Housing and Urban Development, as a follow up to a meeting earlier this week between officials of the Foundation for the Blind in Wichita and officials of HUD. Dole staff members were in attendance in secret earlier this week when Ed Collins, President of the Foundation, met with HUD and HEW officials in Washington in an attempt to increase funding for relocation of the Foundation.

Dole, who had been unable to attend the meeting because he was in Kansas, called Butler to express his personal interest and "to get a feel for what had been done so far and what aid we might expect from HUD." Butler told the Kansas Senator that HUD is planning a reappraisal of the Foundation for the Blind and he indicated it would be finished, "if not next week, soon after."

"It seems to depend on when they can assign appraisers to do the job," Dole said. "I've asked Butler to put a priority on this matter because I can't see any justification for further bureaucratic confusion or red tape."

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