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DOLE COMMENDS SINGLAUB FOR COURAGE

WASHINGTON, D.C. -- Following is the text of a telegram Senator Bob Dole today sent General John K. Singlaub:

Having just been advised of your retirement from active duty, I commend your courage in expressing the truth about this Administration's defense policies as you see it, and in accepting responsibility for those views. Your action is an inspiration to all who value our First Amendment guarantee of freedom of speech.

The fact that our nation's military officers are duty-bound to execute defense policy decisions need not relieve them of their right and responsibility to offer reasoned criticism and advice where necessary. Your decision to offer constructive criticism of several critical matters, and to thereby jeopardize your position with the United States Army, is a courageous act of conscience.

On behalf of myself and millions of Americans who agree with your effort, I say "hank you for standing up for America."