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## BIPARTISAN SENATE LEADERSHIP SUPPORTS HUMANITARIAN AID TO ARMENIA

WASHINGTON -- PRAISING PRESIDENT REAGAN FOR HIS OFFER OF ASSISTANCE TO THE VICTIMS OF THE ARMENIAN EARTHQUAKE, THE BIPARTISAN SENATE LEADERSHIP TODAY PLEDGED THEIR COOPERATION IN EXPEDITING CONGRESSIONAL ACTION, IF NEEDED, ON HUMANITARIAN AID.

IN A JOINT STATEMENT, SENATE MAJORITY LEADER ROBERT C. BYRD (D-W.VA.), REPUBLICAN LEADER BOB DOLE (R-KAN.) AND MAJORITY LEADER-ELECT GEORGE J. MITCHELL (D-ME.), SAID: "WE ARE SHOCKED AND SADDENED BY THE WORSENING NEWS FROM ARMENIA. WE JOIN PRESIDENT REAGAN IN CONVEYING OUR MOST PROFOUND SYMPATHY TO THE ARMENIAN PEOPLE AND IN EXTENDING A HELPING HAND. SHOULD CONGRESSIONAL ACTION BE NECESSARY, WE WILL DO EVERYTHING IN OUR POWER TO SEE TO IT THE AID IS APPROVED, AND WITHOUT DELAY."