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## ANTI-RACISM AMENDMENT

DOLE DECRIES ANTI-SEMITIC, ANTI-CATHOLIC & RACIST BOMBAST OF NATION OF ISLAM SPOKESMAN

I congratulate my colleague, Senator Danforth, for offering the pending amendment. I had originally intended to offer an amendment myself, so I am pleased that Senator Danforth has taken the lead on this important issue.

Anyone who believes that Louis Farrakhan's Nation of Islam has undergone a "moderate makeover" should read the transcript of a recent speech given by Khalid Abdul Muhammad, the Nation of Islam's national spokesman.

The speech, given to an audience of students at New Jersey's Kean College last November, is a hateful spew of anti-Semitic, anti-Catholic and racist bombast that is offensive to all decent Americans, regardless of race or religious background.

According to the Nation of Islam's national spokesman, Jews "are the blood suckers of the black nation and the black community," who control the Federal Reserve, our nation's finances, even the White House.

He claims that if the white population does not leave South Africa within 24 hours of majority rule, "we kill the women, we kill the children, we kill the babies, we kill the crippled...We kill 'em all...."

Even the Pope doesn't escape Muhammad's hate-filled insults. To their credit, African-American leaders such as Jesse Jackson, Benjamin Chavis, former Congressman Bill Gray, and sitting Congressman John Lewis have all publicly denounced Muhammad and his racially divisive remarks.

Unfortunately, the one person who has been strangely silent during the whole controversy is Louis Farrakhan himself, who allows Muhammad to continue to act as spokesman on behalf of the Nation of Islam. According to news accounts, Mr. Farrakhan believes that the government and the Jewish community "want to use [Muhammad's] words against me to divide the house."

If Mr. Farrakhan wants to enter the political and social mainstream, then his actions will have to speak louder than the words of some of his associates. If Mr. Farrakhan wants to participate in healing America's racial wounds, then he will have to disassociate himself from those who would use his name and his organization to preach a message of hate and intolerance.