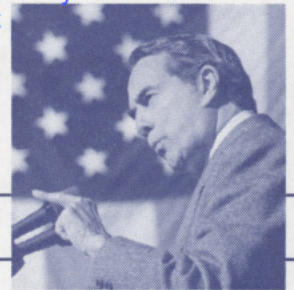


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NORTH KOREA

CLINTON ADMINISTRATION TO PROVIDE MORE THAN \$6 MILLION IN AID TO NORTH KOREA - ASIA'S MOST DANGEROUS REGIME

NASHVILLE, TN -- Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole today issued the following statement on the Clinton administration's decision to provide more than \$6 million dollars in additional aid to North Korea:

"There they go again. Just two weeks ago, Clinton Administration officials announced that there were no plans to provide additional U.S. taxpayers dollars to the government of North Korea. Now, the President has decided to provide more than \$6 million dollars in additional aid -- with no reciprocal action on the part of Asia's most dangerous regime.

"On April 16, 1996 President Clinton unveiled a four-party peace proposal for the Korean peninsula -- North Korea has not yet responded. North Korea regularly violates the demilitarized zone with military forces. North Korea has undertaken no agricultural reforms. North Korea spends millions on propaganda extravaganzas, such as the "Sports and Cultural Festival For Peace" last year. North Korea devotes huge resources to support its 1.2 million military forces which threaten Americans and South Koreans. North Korea continues to spend vast sums on ballistic missile development programs. The North Korean government is solely responsible for decisions about its budget priorities. In spite of North Korea's determined challenges to American interests, President Clinton has decided to subsidize a country that devotes its own resources to the appetite of an insatiable military.

"The hallmarks of President Clinton's foreign policy are on display in the decision to provide more aid to North Korea: inconsistency; reversal; rewarding enemies of the United States; mishandling relations with allies; misallocation of resources; and conducting foreign policy by franchise. In light of President Clinton's mismanagement of policy toward the Korean peninsula, it is not surprising that our long-time allies in South Korea are looking for new diplomatic support in China."

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