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WASHINGTON, D.C. -- Following are the texts of cables Senator Bob Dole sent last night to Israeli Prime Minister Menahem Begin and Egyptian President Anwar Sadat:

President Anwar Sadat

YOUR DRAMATIC INITIATIVE TOWARD ISRAEL OFFERS AN UNPRECEDENTED OPPORTUNITY FOR A PEACEFUL RESOLUTION OF DIFFERENCES IN THE MIDDLE EAST.

THIS IS AN ACT OF COURAGE AND STATECRAFT WHICH WILL SURELY BE APPLAUDED BY ALL PEACE-LOVING PEOPLE, AND ONE WHICH BRINGS HOPE NOT JUST FOR PEACE IN THE HOLY LAND, BUT FOR STABILITY IN THE WORLD.

I WISH YOU SUCCESS.

Prime Minister Menahem Begin

YOU HAVE WORKED TIRELESSLY TO CREATE AN OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PROCESS OF PEACEMAKING TO BEGIN IN THE MIDDLE EAST, AND YOU HAVE BOLDLY SEIZED THAT OPPORTUNITY WHEN IT PRESENTED ITSELF.

AROUND THE WORLD, MEN AND WOMEN OF GOOD WILL WAIT WITH HIGH EXPECTATIONS TO SEE WHAT WILL BE THE RESULT OF THIS INITIATIVE. OUR PRAYERS ARE WITH YOU, AND WE WISH YOU SUCCESS FOR ISRAEL AND HER ARAB NEIGHBORS ALIKE.