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STATEMENT OF SENATOR BOB DOLE MEETTING WITH SOUTH KOREAN PRIME MINISTER LHO OCTOBER 28, 1985

SOUTH KOREAN PRIME MINISTER SHINYONG LHO CALLED ON SENATE MAJORITY LEADER BOB DOLE (R-KAN) TODAY, CONTINUING THE DISCUSSION OF BILATERAL ISSUES THE TWO BEGAN DURING DOLE'S RECENT VISIT TO SEOUL.

AS THEY HAD IN SEOUL, DOLE AND LHO CONCENTRATED ON TRADE MATTERS.

DOLE STRESSED THAT THE UNITED STATES WAS ANXIOUS TO STEP UP EXPORTS TO SOUTH KOREA, ESPECIALLY IN AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS AND MANUFACTURED GOODS. AS A KANSAN, DOLE SAID, HE KNEW FARMERS FROM HIS STATE WERE PREPARED TO SELL MORE WHEAT, ALFALFA, BEEF AND OTHER FARM PRODUCTS. KANSAS INDUSTRIALS FIRMS PRODUCING GOODS SUCH AS FARM MACHINERY AND AVIATION PRODUCTS WOULD ALSO LIKE TO EXPORT MORE.

DOLE WELCOMED THE SO-CALLED "IMPORT LIBERALIZATION" PLAN THE SOUTH KOREAN GOVERNMENT PLANS TO ANNOUNCE SOON, WHICH WILL PERMIT THE IMPORT OF PRODUCTS SUCH AS ALFALFA FOR THE FIRST TIME. AT THE SAME TIME, THOUGH, DOLE URGED THAT SOUTH KOREA SPEED UP ITS MARKET-OPENING MEASURES AND EXPAND THEM TO INCLUDE SUCH ISSUES AS TARIFFS AND INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS. ONLY IN THAT WAY CAN THE UNITED STATES BE ASSURED OF FAIR ACCESS TO SOUTH KOREAN MARKETS.