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## KUWAITI AMBASSADOR ACCEPTS DOLE'S INVITATION TO COME TO WICHITA; <u>AMBASSADOR AL-SABAH TO HIGHLIGHT</u> <u>DOLE'S KUWAIT RECONSTRUCTION CONFERENCE</u>

WASHINGTON -- Senate Republican Leader Bob Dole (R-Kansas) today announced that Kuwait's Ambassador to the U.S., Saud Nasir Al-Sabah, will come to Wichita this Saturday to address the Small Business Administration's Kuwait Reconstruction Conference Dole is hosting at the Airport Hilton.

"I'm pleased Ambassador Al-Sabah has accepted my invitation to come to Wichita for a face-to-face meeting with the excellent Kansas companies competing to help rebuild his country," Dole said. "This latest development will give Kansas firms direct contact with the highest levels of the Kuwaiti government, to the man who was Kuwait's representative in Washington during the most critical months in his nation's history.

"The Kuwaiti government is eager for American companies and workers to play a big role in reconstructing the nation which our soldiers risked their lives to liberate, and I have no doubt the Ambassador will be impressed with our talented Kansas companies and workforce," Dole added.

Dole announced last week that another Kuwaiti representative, Dr. Abdul-Hadi Al'Awadhi, the Deputy Director of Kuwait's Emergency & Recovery Program, will participate in the conference. The day-long conference, designed to help Kansas companies participate in the multi-billion dollar reconstruction of Kuwait, will also feature presentations by leading government officials and private sector experts.

Tickets for the Conference are still available by calling the SBA at 316-269-6273. A limited number of seats may be available at the door. The \$45 registration fee for the day-long conference defrays the cost of the seminar and includes a continental breakfast and lunch. Doors will open at 8:00 AM, and the conference will begin at 8:45 AM with remarks by Senator Dole.