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KANSAS NATIONAL GUARD TO RECEIVE MLRS UNITS

WASHINGTON -- Kansas Senator Bob Dole announced that the U.S. Senate has given final approval to funding for a new Multiple Launch Rocket System (MLRS) Battalion for the Army National Guard. Batteries from the Battalion will be stationed at Guard units in various states, and as a result of Senator Dole's request, the Kansas National Guard is in line to receive units of the new Battalion. The 1994 Department of Defense Appropriations Bill approved tonight contains \$178.9 million for the Guard's MLRS Battalion.

"As the nation's defense forces are drawn down, the active Army will have to rely more and more on its Guard and Reserve counterparts. It's important to ensure that the Kansas Guard remains well-trained and well-equipped, and the addition of the MLRS units allows the Kansas Guard to better fulfill its mission of complementing our active forces when necessary," said Dole.

The defense spending bill including the MLRS funding now goes to the President for his signature.

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