

Bob Dole



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ISRAEL/PLO ACCORD

DETROIT -- Senate Republican Leader Bob Dole today made the following remarks about the accord signed at the White House between Israel and the Palestine Liberation Organization. Senator Dole made his remarks in a speech to the Detroit Economic Club.

"Like all Americans, I salute the commitment of the Israeli government and the Palestinian leaders to break the cycle of violence and to lay the foundation for a genuine peace.

"The journey for peace in this troubled region has been a long one, and it is still far from complete. There are still Palestinian factions who want no Israel, and who have called for Arafat's assassination, and there are those in Israel who want more Israel, and who believe that through this agreement, the PLO will become a wolf in sheep's clothing.

"I was pleased that former President Bush was at today's ceremony, because this historic agreement would have been impossible if not for his leadership in the Persian Gulf crisis, and if not for the Mideast diplomatic initiatives he began in March of 1991."

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