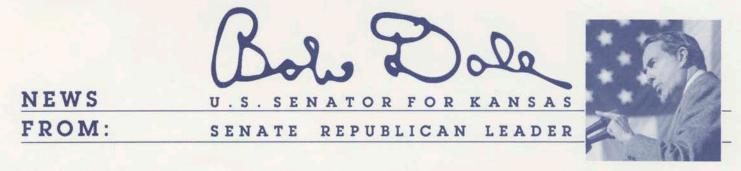
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NAFTA & HOUSE REPUBLICANS

DOLE WRITES UNDECIDED HOUSE REPUBLICANS, GIVES ASSURANCE THAT NAFTA SUPPORT SOLID IN SENATE

WASHINGTON -- With a showdown vote on the North American Free Trade Agreement approaching in the House of Representatives, Senate Republican Leader Bob Dole today assured House Republicans undecided on NAFTA that the trade pact enjoys solid support in the Senate.

In individual letters to more than two dozen House Republicans, Dole stressed that NAFTA "is the right thing to do," and that the trade agreement's benefits to America -- including new markets, new jobs, and new leadership opportunities in the global economy -- "are true to our Republican philosophy."

Dole assured that if the trade pact reaches the Senate, "it will be passed by a sizable majority, with strong Republican support."

NAFTA will be voted on in the Senate only if it is approved first in the House, which votes Wednesday.

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