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EXCERPTS FROM CONGRESSMAN BOB DOLE'S SPEECH BEFORE THE  
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"With the pressure for the consideration of wheat, wool, feed grains and cotton legislation, there will be a tendency to delay sugar legislation in 1965," Congressman Dole stated. Dole also pointed out that "the President said nothing in his farm message yesterday about sugar legislation."

Dole charged sugar beet growers had received less consideration from the Administration than any other group of farmers. Beet producers were asked to increase their production in 1963 and 1964 and were promised there would be no acreage restriction on their 1965 crop. Notwithstanding these promises, the Administration imposed a 5% acreage cut across the board which amounts to about an 11% reduction to old growers. Failure of the Administration to extend the foreign quota provisions of the Sugar Act during the last session of Congress, while administratively extending country quotas to foreign nations throughout the world, has provided a windfall for foreign sugar interests.

Dole stated the amount involved could be approximately \$125 million lost revenue when the foreign quota provisions of the Sugar Act expired on December 31, 1964. "Secretary Freeman said he didn't have the authority to collect the quota premium for the escalated recapture fee or on the global quota sugar. The amount of revenue to be lost by this," Dole stated, "would provide enough money to restore many of the cuts outlined in the Administration's farm budget."