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WASHINGTON, D.C., Jan. 16 -- U.S. Senator Bob Dole Thursday predicted the nomination of Clifford M. Hardin to be the new Secretary of Agriculture will be confirmed unanimously by the Senate.

Dole made the prediction shortly after the Senate Agriculture Committee concluded its hearings on Hardin/today. The Senator is a new member of the committee.

"Mr. Hardin is a good administrator who understands farm problems well," Dole said. "I am greatly encouraged to learn he is surrounding himself with men of competence and men with bonafide farm backgrounds."