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WASHINGTON, D.C., Dec. 21 -- U.S. Senator Bob Dole (R-Kans.) said late Saturday that President Nixon has "restored the faith of the American people in their government."

In a statement on the Senate floor, Dole said, "Never in the history of our Republic has one Administration done so much, so quickly, to bring the Nation back from the valley of turmoil and division and placed it on the high road to peace and unity.

"1968 was a savage year in America," Dole continued. "Young men were burning draft cards and draft boards; Americans were burning their cities. Not since the Civil War had this Nation stood so divided against itself.

"It is not what President Nixon has said that has so quickly restored the faith of Americans in their country and their government, it is what he has done.

"He immediately began moving the country away from war and toward peace. He undertook a personal trip to Europe to talk with our allies and to reassure them about American intentions and plans.

"By this summer he was able to announce the first withdrawal of American troops from Vietnam. By December 14 more than 65,000 troops had been withdrawn and on December 15 he was able to announce that another 50,000 troops would be brought back.

"The President has launched talks with the Russians designed to bring an end to the arms race and he has declared that it is the policy of the United States not to indulge in biological warfare.

"Every action this Administration has taken has been designed to restore unity.

"This Administration has demonstrated, in eleven short months, that it is run by men of good will.

"Our problems are not solved -- but once again the American people are seeking solutions together."