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WASHINGTON, D.C. JUNE 1 -- "Today's announcement of three more American newsmen missing and feared ^{captured} ~~missing~~ in Cambodia is another reason we do not want to tie the President's hands in Southeast Asia," U.S. Senator Bob Dole (R-Kans.) said today.

"The President should have the right to act to protect Americans, whether they are civilians or men in uniform," Dole continued.

"The Cooper-Church amendment, as it now reads, would forbid U.S. forces from entering Cambodia even if the purpose of their mission were to rescue Americans being held prisoners of war by the enemy.

"These recent developments put a new perspective on the amendment I have proposed to the Cooper-Church amendment.

"I cannot believe the American people would submit to abandoning their fellow citizens, whether servicemen or civilians, in the enemy's jungle prisons."

The Dole amendment is scheduled for a vote at 11:30 Wednesday.