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EMPORIA, KANSAS, OCT. 30, 1970 -- U.S. Senator Bob Dole expressed his reaction today to the attacks on President Nixon at San Jose, California last night.

Dole said, "Those individuals who threw rocks and bottles at the President of the United States last evening at San Jose, California made their point. That is, they publicly demonstrated that they are no more than common street thugs banded together in a violent mob. They are criminals and should be treated as such, not over-zealous protesters, not misguided children but malicious criminals that would rip their way through society by the use of terror and intimidation."

"America must rid herself of this pestilance that would destroy us with violence and strip all decent citizens of their rights of freedom of speech and assembly."

"These people are not misunderstood, their intent is clear. They advocate mindless destruction and acts of terror. They cannot be tolerated."