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WASHINGTON, D.C., JAN. 25, 1971 --- U.S. Sen. Bob Dole, Chairman of the Republican National Committee, today said that a statement made last week by Lawrence O'Brien, accusing the Nixon Administration of ignoring unemployment while giving business a \$2 billion plus tax break, was "nonsense."

Dole continued, "It is basic logic that the most effective way to reduce unemployment is to create an economic climate in which industry has more jobs to offer. So, jobs are not created out of business shrinkage and contraction, but new jobs and more jobs are created when the nation's industrial and commercial muscles are flexing and growing."

"The Administration's decision to liberalize depreciation schedules is designed to stimulate business expansion and higher production. The result will be more jobs --- and with them increased prosperity for all Americans."

The new Committee Chairman charged, "These are the facts, but the Democrats seem determined to twist them through innuendo and half-truth their own purpose. This is not a responsible strategy."

Dole, speaking to the Republican Women of Capitol Hill, urged O'Brien and the Democrat Congressional leaders to be more responsible --- they should, admit that the war President Nixon inherited and the inflationary deficits of the 60s are the roots of today's economic difficulties. Dole added, "This would make President Nixon's efforts to solve these problems easier and more effective." "The Democrats," Dole said, "understandably want to make political capital, but in doing so, they overlook what most Americans know too well, and that is that President Nixon inherited a 'mess' when he assumed the Presidency."