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## DISASTER RELIEF TO KANSAS

WASHINGTON, D.C. -- In a meeting today with representatives of the Disaster Relief branches of the Small Business Administration, the U.S. Department of Agriculture, the Department of HUD, and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Senator Bob Dole received some specific details concerning the kinds of disaster relief which will be made available to those areas declared eligible for it, under the disaster declaration signed today by the President.

The Department of HUD will make provisions for temporary housing in those affected area where homes have been destroyed or extensively damaged. The SBA can make disaster loans for the repair, rehabilitation, or replacement of property damage to homes and businesses. The loans can be made at a 5 percent interest rate and may be made for any period up to 30 years, depending on individual factors.

In addition, the Farmers' Home Administration may make emergency 5 percent loans in areas designated for disaster relief eligibility. The loans can be made to borrowers unable to obtain the credit needed from other sources at reasonable rates and terms.

The Corps of Engineers may be called upon to assist in clearance of storm debris and to repairs to damaged roads and bridges.

The Food and Nutrition Service of the Department of Agriculture will administer an emergency food stamp program. All federal agency efforts will be coordinated through the Federal Disaster Assistance Administration which has set up a field office in Topeka and will establish individual assistance offices in localities most directly affected by the storm.