

## NEWS from U.S. Senator Bob Dole

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## DOLE URGES PRESIDENTIAL BOARD TO HELP RESOLVE TWA STRIKE

WASHINGTON, D.C.--Senator Bob Dole today urged that an emergency Presidential Board be established to help resolve the Trans World Airlines Strike.

In a letter to the Chairman of the National Mediation Board, Senator Dole called for implementation of statutory authority to create such a Board. He noted that the strike is now entering its 6th week with mediation so far having achieved no apparent progress toward ending the strike.

Commenting on his request for the formation of the Presidentially-appointed

Emergency Board, the Senator said, "There is too much at stake to allow the strike

to linger on for the indefinite future. Payroll losses in the Kansas City area alone

are running at \$10 million per month, Wichita is suffering heavy losses, mail service

is being delayed, and many thousands of airline passengers throughout the country are

being inconvenienced each day. Every appropriate means must be devoted to ending the

strike and reestablishing TWA service——before the beginning of the holiday travel

period "

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Hon. David H. Stowe, Chairman National Mediation Board 1230 - 16th Street Washington, D.C. 20572

Dear Mr. Stowe:

Continuation of the strike involving Trans World Airlines and members of the Transportation Workers Union is causing grave economic hardship, particularly within the Greater Kansas City area, and is also disrupting essential transportation service in Wichita and many other sections of the country.

The strike is now entering its sixth week, with apparently no progress having been achieved through mediation. Therefore, if immediate efforts to bring about progress toward a solution are not successful, I urge that the necessary steps be taken to have an Emergency Board appointed by the President under the authority of the Railway Labor Act.

Too much is at stake for the Midwest and the Nation to have this strike linger on into the indefinite future. Direct payroll losses in the Kansas City area, alone, are running at \$10 million per month, mail service is being delayed, and many thousands of air travelers throughout the United States and around the world are being inconvenienced each day.

The national interest requires that this disruptive and economically harmful strike be ended with dispatch and that every appropriate means be devoted to reinstituting TWA service before the beginning of the holiday travel period.

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BOB DOLE United States Senator

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