



# NEWS from U.S. Senator Bob Dole

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## DOLE MEETS AGAIN WITH TRUCKERS

WASHINGTON, D.C.--In his third meeting with a delegation of independent truckers, Senator Bob Dole on Monday sought to help achieve a resolution of what he called "difficult problems which are prompting serious concerns among many truckers and unfortunate over-reaction among some."

Dole explained that his efforts were directed toward keeping the lines of communication open between the delegation of truckers and government officials.

"I have spent many hours with truckers from Kansas and elsewhere and am convinced of the validity of many of their concerns," said Dole. "But while we work on the problem of resolving some of these issues, it serves no one's interest to resort to illegal or violent means, as some of the drivers have done and are doing now, as I understand it, in some parts of Eastern Kansas."

Dole arranged meetings for the truckers with the Chairman of the Interstate Commerce Commission, the Administrator of the Federal Highway Administration and Officials of the Department of Transportation. He said he was hopeful that these meetings might help lead to the answers to some of those problems which are of most immediate concern to the truckers.

While some of the truckers have threatened violence if the problem is not resolved, Dole said he felt that "the majority were working for a reasonable settlement." He expressed the hope that today's meetings could help start the trucks rolling and avert violence so that the transportation of essential items could be assured.



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