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NEWS from U.S. Senator Bob Dole

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SENATE APPROVES MEASURE TO ALLOW MASTERS DEGREE AT FORT LEAVENWORTH

WASHINGTON, D.C.--Senator Bob Dole said today that the Senate has approved a measure that would allow the U.S. Army Command and General Staff College at Fort Leavenworth to issue the degree of Master of Military Arts and Sciences to graduates of the program. The amendment, which was cosponsored by Senator Dole and is similar to other measures he has proposed in recent years, was contained in the Conference Committee report on the Military Authorization Bill passed yesterday by the full Senate.

In 1969 the Kansas Senator introduced a bill to provide this degree granting authority and the next year it was introduced by Senator Barry Goldwater (R-Ariz) with Dole as a cosponsor.

"The U.S. Army Command and General Staff College at Fort Leavenworth, has a distinguished record in the preparation of Army officers to assume the responsibilities and burdens of career leadership," Dole said. "The college is widely known and highly regarded for the quality and rigor of its curriculum. I'm pleased this has now passed both the House and Senate and am hopeful it ^{can} be signed into law without any further delay."

Dole also said that the North Central Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools has indicated its willingness to accredit the College's program and the U.S. Office of Education has found that the College's entrance procedures, curriculum and graduate criteria all meet the high standards set up for the granting of graduate degrees.