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MONDALE LACKS CREDIBILITY ON AGRICULTURE ISSUES, CHARGES DOLE

WASHINGTON, D.C.--Senator Bob Dole, Ranking Republican on the Senate Agriculture Committee said Senator Mondale's farm speech in South Dakota today would pave the way for a return of the disastrous policies carried out by another liberal Minnesotan, Orville Freeman, Secretary of Agriculture, 1961-68.

"Senator Mondale lacks credibility on farm issues since he gave up his seat on the Senate Agriculture Committee because of a reported lack of interest," Dole said. "His two chief farm advisors, George Meany and Orville Freeman, scare farmers who remember \$1.10 corn and \$1.25 wheat under Freeman and who recall that Meany was the real force behind the grain embargoes, which Mondale now complains about. Election of the Carter-Mondale ticket would mean market manipulation through grain reserves, grain embargoes whenever labor leaders want them, and a farm program controlled from Washington with prices fixed by bureaucrats not in the market place," Dole charged.

"When Mondale calls for estate tax reform, farmers will also remember Democrats have controlled Congress for 40 of the past 44 years and have done nothing. Estate tax reform is President Ford's idea and Senator Mondale knows it," Dole concluded.