



NEWS from **U.S. Senator Bob Dole**

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BRIEFINGS BEGIN MONDAY FOR DOLE

WASHINGTON, D.C. -- Senator Bob Dole (R-Kans), President Ford's Vice Presidential nominee, Monday begins a series of extensive briefings on foreign policy, defense, domestic and economic affairs.

Dole, who was named the Republican running mate at last week's Republican Convention in Kansas City, will meet with top level government and administration officials for two days of background sessions.

The briefings, ordered by President Ford, are designed to give Dole an up date on major issues. They will include the latest information on the North Korean border incident in which two American servicemen were killed.

Dole said he is "looking forward" to the briefings. "The President feels it is important for me to be briefed immediately since I will be an active spokesman for the administration during the coming months," the Senator said.

"My Senate assignments on the Finance Committee and the Agriculture Committee have given me an insight into the domestic areas," he added. "However, these briefings will provide the total picture in every area of foreign and domestic policy."

Monday's schedule calls for Dole to meet at the White House at 1:30 p.m. with CIA Director George Bush, Deputy Secretary of Defense Robert Ellsworth, and William Hyland, the President's Deputy Assistant for Foreign Affairs. The meeting is expected to last about three hours.

On Tuesday morning, Dole will meet with President Ford's key domestic and economic advisors. These include James Lynn, Director of the Office of Management and Budget and Paul O'Neill, OMB's Deputy Director; L. William Siedman, Assistant to the President for Economic Affairs, and James Cannon, Assistant to the President for Domestic Affairs and Director of the Domestic Council.

Dole's schedule for the remainder of the week includes a major speech before the national American Legion Convention in Seattle on Wednesday. He will be in Vail, Colorado later in the week to discuss campaign strategy with President Ford and his key political advisors.