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## CARTER ADMINISTRATION BLOCKS LAND DIVERSION BILL Farmers Need to Send Carter A Message

WASHINGTON, D.C.....Senator Bob Dole (R-Kan) said today the Carter Administration has lobbied strongly to block a 1980 feed grain and wheat land diversion bill from coming up on the Senate floor for a vote by the full Senate.

Dole said, "Senator Boschwitz and I wanted the land diversion bill to be acted on by the Senate before the Easter recess. The bill needs to be enacted quickly if it is to help farmers."

"The Carter Administration lobbied against the bill and was able to block the bill from being voted on. This is typical of recent actions by the Administration to work against the best interests of farmers."

"The Carter Administration has consistently told farmers one thing and then done another. Farmers just cannot depend on the Administration to give them any meaningful assistance."

Sen. Dole stated, "The farmers of this country are going to have to rally and find a way to send the President a message. Without a strong message from farmers to the White House there will probably not be effective farm legislation this year."

"President Carter has yet to discover the farm financial crisis is for real. Farmers should telephone the White House, send telegrams and letters and use the power of the ballot box. President Carter has not gotten the message yet," Dole said.

The land diversion legislation would have established a program for producers of 1980 crop feed grains and wheat to divert farm acreage from production.