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DOLE REQUESTS REPORT ON FCIC INVESTIGATION

WASHINGTON -- Senator Bob Dole (R.-Kansas) said today he is concerned about the allegations of widespread wrongdoing and improper personnel practices within the Federal Crop Insurance Corporation (FCIC) in six states, including Kansas.

"I am always concerned when allegations are made about the integrity of any federal agency. I would encourage a speedy and complete investigation by the Office of Inspector General of USDA and other federal groups that have authority in this area. The allegations need to be proven or dropped."

In a letter today to Senator Herman Talmadge, Chairman of the Senate Committee on Agriculture, Dole said, "Since there is FCIC legislation pending before the Congress and because the FCIC comes under the jurisdiction of the Committee monitor, I would appreciate having the staff of the Committee monitor this situation and the reports that are issued by the various federal investigating agencies involved."

Dole wrote to Talmadge, "It would be helpful, at the proper time, to have the staff make a report to the members of the Committee on the results of the investigations. The Committee may want to have hearings on this subject depending on the outcome of the reports."