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DOLE SAYS NOW IT IS UP TO CONGRESS

WASHINGTON -- SENATE MAJORITY LEADER BOB DOLE (R-KANSAS) TODAY SAID NOW IT'S UP TO CONGRESS TO MOVE AHEAD ON THE CONGRESSIONAL INVESTIGATION INTO THE IRANIAN ARMS SALE.

"WITH THE PRESIDENT'S DECISION NOT TO CALL A SPECIAL JOINT SESSION IT'S UP TO CONGRESS TO MOVE AHEAD AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE WITH CREATION OF A SELECT COMMITTEE TO INVESTIGATE THE IRANIAN ARMS SALE. WE PROMISED SPEEDY ACTION, NOW IT'S TIME TO DELIVER."

"LESS THAN A WEEK AGO, I CALLED FOR THE CREATION OF A SINGLE CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEE TO LOOK INTO THE IRANIAN ARMS SALE CONTROVERSY. I THOUGHT IT WAS THE MOST RESPONSIBLE WAY TO EXPEDITE THE INQUIRY AND FOR CONGRESS TO FULFILL ITS OVERSIGHT RESPONSIBILITY. IF ESTABLISHING THE COMMITTEE REQUIRED CONVENING A SPECIAL SESSION, I SUPPORTED THAT AS WELL," DOLE ADDED.

"THE PRESIDENT HAS PLEDGED TO GET TO THE BOTTOM OF THIS CONTROVERSY -- INCLUDING COOPERATING WITH A THOROUGH CONGRESSIONAL INQUIRY. TODAY BOTH REPUBLICAN AND DEMOCRATIC LEADERS IN TURN PLEDGED TO DO EVERYTHING IN OUR POWER TO CREATE THE COMMITTEES, GET THEM MOVING, AND TO GET THE INVESTIGATION BEHIND US AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE. IF CONGRESS FULFILLS ITS PLEDGE, THE AMERICAN PEOPLE WILL GET ALL THE FACTS ON THE IRANIAN ARMS DEAL AND CONGRESS WILL BE ABLE TO MOVE AHEAD ON THE MANY OTHER CRITICAL ISSUES FACING THE NATION."