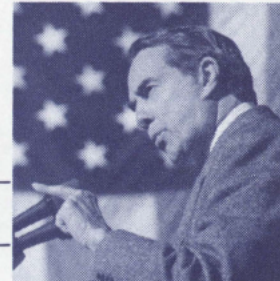


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## **DOLE ANNOUNCES REGIONAL AGREEMENT FOR NEW FEDERAL OFFICE BUILDING IN KCK**

WASHINGTON -- Kansas Senator Bob Dole today announced an agreement which paves the way for construction of a new building to house the regional offices of the Environmental Protection Agency in downtown Kansas City, Kansas.

In an accord initiated by Dole and reached among the Kansas and Missouri congressional delegations and the General Services Administration, a new EPA building would be located in Kansas City, Kansas, and a new Federal Aviation Administration building would be located in Kansas City, Missouri. Under the agreement, both cities would donate a site which meets the requirements of the Federal government. GSA would then make each tract of land available to all competitive bidders for construction of each building.

"Upon donation of the land by the city, this agreement will mean nearly 1,000 jobs will stay in KCK, and will help establish KCK as a regional federal center," Dole said. "This agreement is win-win for all parties involved."

Following preliminary discussions with city and county officials, Senator Dole, Senator Nancy Kassebaum, and Congresswoman Jan Meyers moved forward to finalize details for what the GSA estimates will be a \$55 million, 6 story building in KCK due to be occupied in late 1997. If either city is unable to make property available, competition for the buildings would be opened to both metropolitan areas.

"Now the ball is in KCK's court. It is up to the city's leaders to make arrangements with GSA for donation of property for the site. I understand that several plots have been proposed," Dole added. "The EPA is a good neighbor, and I am pleased that every effort is being made so that they'll call KCK home for many years to come."

The new buildings would consolidate existing EPA operations in KCK, and existing FAA operations in Kansas City, Missouri.

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