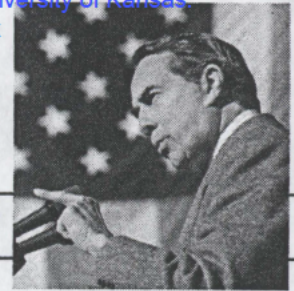


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**DOLE ANNOUNCES CESSNA WINS C-XX CONTRACT**

WASHINGTON -- Kansas Senator Bob Dole today announced that the Army has awarded a contract for two C-XX medium-range transport aircraft to Cessna Aircraft Company in Wichita, Kansas. Today's \$8 million contract includes manufacture of two airplanes, training and service.

"The Wichita community and the state have a lot to be proud of," Dole said. "The fact that another major defense aircraft contract has been awarded to a Kansas company demonstrates a well-deserved reputation for skill and hard work. I'm proud that Cessna has earned this important contract. Acquisition of the C-XX is the Army's highest fixed-wing priority."

Cessna will provide the Army with a version of the Citation Ultra to transport key command and staff personnel and small parcels of critical parts and equipment during both peacetime and wartime operations. The Army has indicated it may buy as many as 35 aircraft over five years, worth a total of \$156.9 million.

Since the Army identified the need for medium-range transport aircraft, Senator Dole has strongly supported the program, ensuring its inclusion and funding in the annual defense appropriations and defense authorization bills.

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