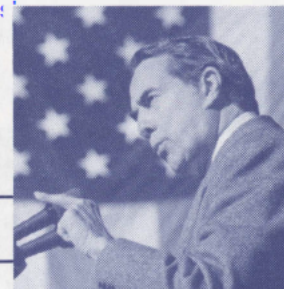


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CHINA PROLIFERATION SANCTIONS

STATEMENT OF SENATE MAJORITY LEADER BOB DOLE

WASHINGTON -- Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole today issued the following statement regarding the Clinton Administration's decision not to impose sanctions on China for its nuclear export activities:

"It seems hardly coincidental that a long-deferred decision on sanctions on China for proliferation was announced the day after I spoke on the shortcomings of the Clinton Administration in Asia. I believe the Administration was too slow to address proliferation concerns and too quick to reject targeted sanctions -- for example, on firms controlled by the Chinese People's Liberation Army involved in proliferation activities. According to the State Department, the Chinese government has promised not to allow in the future the kind of activities it claims it was unaware of in the past. This promise must be matched by performance.

"Most troubling, today's Clinton Administration announcement exempts the most threatening part of Chinese proliferation activities: nuclear cooperation with Iran."

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