

From the office of  
Hon. Bob Dole  
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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

Washington, D. C. - Congressman Bob Dole, Sixth District Kansas Republican today sounded a warning to Kansas residents, particularly farmers, to be on guard against any scheme by unknown individuals to sell them unused Army jeeps at fantastically low prices.

Dole stated he has recently received requests from constituents to check the authenticity of reports being circulated in the Russell, Wilson and Great Bend areas that orders are being taken for crated Army jeeps by certain unidentified persons.

Officials of the Department of the Army informed the Sixth District Congressman that in recent years they have been plagued at various times by similar reports. Such reports have originated mostly in states of the middle west. In some instances citizens have reported paying down a specified sum, the balance to be paid on delivery, only to discover that they were left to hold the bag.

"Information given me by constituents is substantially the same in each community. Reports are being circulated that orders are being taken for a minimum of 500 jeeps priced at \$90 each, less battery and in some cases less tires", Dole said.

"A high Army official has informed me that only when a jeep becomes unusable through wear, is it declared surplus. In no case are these vehicles disposed of in lots".

Congressman Dole urged citizens having positive information concerning this proposition, or about the identity of individuals soliciting such orders to report the facts to him. He stated such information would immediately be made available to the FBI for proper investigation.