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Congressman Bob Dole (R-Kansas), in his regular newsletter to constituents sharply criticized the recent meeting of so-called "neutral" or "non-aligned" countries in Belgrade, Yugoslavia. Dole stated, "A few of the leaders made preliminary noises about Russia's resumption of nuclear testing but their soft criticism of the Soviets in this instance indicates their fear of Red totalitarianism. Had this country first resumed nuclear testing they would have jumped on us with both feet. Letters were dispatched both to President Kennedy and Khrushchev signed by all the "neutralist" conferrees, requesting Kennedy and Khrushchev to rush to the "Summit" to avoid a possible global catastrophe. It was an insult to both President Kennedy and his country to receive a letter identical to the one written to Khrushchev. Certainly this country has done nothing to provoke a global catastrophe but this is just another illustration of their fear of the Soviets. Still many members of Congress and many leaders in Government, (and I don't mean this in any partisan sense), insist we must keep on spending millions and billions of dollars supporting these countries who call themselves "neutral".

Dole further stated, "It is about time we take a hard look at Foreign Aid recipients. Sincere neutrality is one thing but neutrality which affords the so-called "neutral" the opportunity to play both sides against the middle is quite another. There is more than money involved when we aid countries who line up with Russia in a crisis, and when exports of strategic materials to these countries is permitted, for we are engaged in a world struggle against Communism. At the very time we call up thousands and thousands of reserves, increase draft calls, disrupt the homes of thousands of families, and peer into a gloomy future which could mean the loss of thousands of lives, such dealings and coddling of the Communist bloc countries is disgusting, disgraceful, and could well be disastrous."

Dole also pointed out in his Newsletter the five member Select Committee authorized by House passage of the Kitchin-Lipscomb Resolution last week to investigate the administration, operation and enforcement of the Export Control Act of 1949, should "be completely objective in its investigation and let the chips fall where they may." The Committee was authorized as a result of widespread protests of expanding exports to Iron Curtain countries of materials questionably classified as "non-strategic". Congressman Dole criticized the Department of Commerce for granting export licenses to communist bloc countries. He cited, as examples, licenses issued to Yugoslavia July 12, for \$639,000 for iron and steel scrap, another for \$417,620 in steel scrap and \$77,019 in electro-lytic copper; August 4, another \$639,000 for scrap metal, on August 16 for \$254,412 in copper scrap; August 28 for \$732,000 in iron and steel scrap.

Predicting Congressional adjournment by Saturday, September 16, Dole said, "This will be a great day for you taxpayers."