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DOLE COMMENTS ON GRAIN SALE

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Washington, D. C., Senator Bob Dole released the following statement about the reported booking of a 2-million ton sale of wheat to the Russians.

"If states such as Kansas that have a large agriculture sector are to have a strong economy in the coming year, we must sell a great deal more wheat and grain than was announced today.

I strongly hope that these sales will not become a political issue or a Presidential campaign controversy as some members of Congress have recently tried to make them.

While we are all concerned about the price of food for consumers, the value of wheat in an average loaf of bread is presently less than a nickel. Even if the price of wheat were to rise as much as \$2 per bushel, that in itself would cause the price of bread to rise less than five cents per loaf. Such a price increase for the consumer food bill certainly could not be considered excessively inflationary in view of the great benefits to Kansas and the nation as a whole that would result from these sales."