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DOLE PROPOSAL WOULD DISCOURAGE AID BY INTERNATIONAL INSTITUTIONS TO
VIETNAM, LAOS AND CAMBODIA

WASHINGTON, D.C.--Senator Bob Dole has announced he will sponsor a proposal to discourage economic assistance to the current governments of Vietnam, Laos and Cambodia by the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (the World Bank) and the Asian Development Bank. His amendment to the International Financial Institutions Act would instruct U. S. representatives to those organizations to vote against any request for assistance by the three governments. If either of the financial organizations approved economic aid for any of the governments, Dole's measure calls for the U. S. contribution to the organization to be reduced by a sum equal to the amount of assistance. The measure is scheduled for Senate consideration tomorrow.

"My amendment would make it clear that--under present conditions--the governments of Vietnam, Laos, and Cambodia are in violation of internationally recognized human rights," Dole said. "U. S. representatives would therefore be specifically instructed to oppose any loan requests made by those governments."