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#### DOLE CALLS FOR REAPPOINTMENT OF ARTHUR BURNS

KANSAS CITY -- "There is a very simple reason why President Carter should reappoint Burns, and do it forthwith," Senator Bob Dole said Friday night, "Arthur Burns is the best person in the country for the job."

In remarks prepared for delivery before the National Association of Farm Broadcasters, Dole said "one way that President Carter can combat inflation, restore business confidence, and help farmers control their rapidly rising costs is to reappoint Arthur to the chairmanship of the Federal Reserve Board. He is steadfast in the matter of a sound dollar, and does not bend to the prevailing political winds. Unlike the Secretary of the Treasury, Blumenthal, Arthur Burns is determined to protect the value of the dollar, both here and abroad. Moreover, he is respected throughout the U.S. business community -- where investments to create jobs come from -- and in the financial headquarters of every ally we have abroad. And his prestige is so great -- both with Congress and business leaders -- that he can do more than any other single official to help control the spending pressures and hold inflationary pressures down.

"President Carter would do well to ponder another important aspect of the Burns reappointment. Since World War II, there has been insufficient money invested for new and efficient machinery. This is one reason that there are not enough jobs to go around and unemployment is too high. Jobs cost money -- an investment per worker of \$20,000, \$50,000, or even \$100,000 in some industries. This requires saving, investment, and of crucial importance at any given time, confidence on the part of boards of directors that the investments will pay off.

"Arthur Burns knows this. He also knows that business spending for new machinery and equipment is lagging badly and acting as a drag on the recovery. Also he is respected abroad. Failure to reappoint him would result in loss of confidence by foreign leaders -- all of whom have great confidence in him, and undercut the very confidence in the value of the dollar that this nation so badly needs."

#### INCREASE FARM EXPORTS

"The best way out of the current cost-price squeeze in which so many U.S. farmers are caught is through expanded exports, and reduced inflation," Dole said. He also outlined five recommendations he said "will go a long way toward alleviating the current farm problem and reducing inflation."

- (1) Increasing CCC credit -- \$1.5 billion worth of commodities, up from the \$750 million announced for FY 78;
- (2) Increasing PL 480, Title I -- \$1 billion worth of commodities, up from the \$800 million announced for FY 78;
- (3) Increasing Eximbank financing of farm commodities from the \$75 million allocated to finance cotton to Japan to at least \$500 million for the export of farm commodities;
- (4) Supporting CCC credit legislation to provide financing of commodities to better meet competition in countries such as the people's Republic of China, the Soviet Union and certain Eastern European countries; and
- (5) Supporting with adequate resources and new ideas a more vigorous market development effort.