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CARTER SUGAR PROGRAM PRIORITIES MIXED UP - WASTING \$111 MILLION

WASHINGTON, D.C.--Senator Bob Dole said today. "The Carter Administration has its priorities mixed up and continues to turn a deaf ear to farmers while flooding the country with imported sugar and literally throwing away over \$111 million to sugar processors. While U.S. farmers are on strike to protest low farm prices, the Carter Administration fails to implement the sugar price support program to raise market prices to at least 13.5 cents per pound raw sugar equivalent.

President Carter's proclamation to carry out the domestic sugar price support program was defective allowing loopholes to encourage additional sugar imports thereby forcing sugar prices down instead of increasing the domestic market price to 13.5 cents per pound as mandated by Congress.

The delay in full implementation of the sugar price support program is incomprehensible and smacks of confrontation politics with the U. S. Congress. The proclamation amendment to correct the errors of the previous Presidential proclamation are presently being delayed in the White House while sugar imports flood our market by ever-increasing amounts - holding down the sugar market prices.

President Carter's sugar processors subsidy scheme is pouring out millions of dollars of unappropriated funds in an effort to hold down the sugar market prices. Payments made just cover through November 7, 1977, for 90 percent of the anticipated amount and total \$111,673,336.43."

Following is a listing of the sugar processors receiving payments:

<u>Processor</u>	<u>Amount of Payment</u>
Amalgamated Sugar Co.	\$ 2,385,944.65
American Crystal Sugar Co.	14,433,336.11
Billeaud Sugar Factory	216,036.91
Breaux Bridge Sugar Co-op, Inc.	141,996.53
Buckeye Sugars, Inc.	102,330.34
Cajun Sugar Co-op, Inc.	336,784.18
Caldwell Sugars Co-op, Inc.	198,833.68
Cinclare (Harry Laws & Co.)	333,309.04
Columbia (Caire & Graugnard)	43,337.07
Columbia Sugar Co.	5,494.87
Cora-Texas Mfg. Co., Inc.	262,367.45
M. A. Patout & Son, Ltd. (Enterprise Sugar Factory)	339,135.24
Evan Hall Sugar Co-op., Inc.	272,719.67
Gay & Robinson	848,040.89
Glenwood Cooperative, Inc.	264,697.86
Great Western Sugar Co.	4,847,876.89
Gulf & Western (Okeelanta Sugar Division)	292,326.14
Hawaiian Commercial & Sugar Co.	9,260,216.49

Helvetia Sugar Cooperative, Inc.	159,914.65
Hilo Coast Processing Co.	5,039,507.28
Holly Sugar Corp.	6,420,550.85
Honokaa Sugar Co.	3,309,308.95
Iberia Sugar Co-op, Inc.	217,137.14
Jenerette Sugar Co.	196,251.65
Ka'u Sugar Co. Ltd.	2,402,782.48
Kekaha Sugar Co. Ltd.	2,329,675.53
Laupahoehoe Sugar Co.	3,548,125.06
Leighton-Lafourche Sugar Co.	458,085.58
The Lihue Plantation Co. Ltd.	3,655,348.61
McBryde Sugar Co. Ltd.	2,802,433.94
Meeker Sugar Co-op, Inc.	202,109.02
Michigan Sugar Co.	1,314,725.74
Minn-Dak Farmer, Co-op.	1,684,350.49
Monitor Sugar Co.	526,874.31
Northern Ohio Sugar Co.	592,203.66
Oahu Sugar Co. Ltd.	4,371,796.93
Olokele Sugar Co. Ltd.	1,506,003.62
Osceola Farms Co.	216,887.15
Pioneer Mill Co. Ltd.	2,461,268.06
Puna Sugar Co. Ltd.	2,597,734.42
St. James Sugar Co-op, Inc.	306,149.88
St. Martin Sugar Co-op.	199,604.32
Savoie Industries, Inc.	307,028.54
Smithfield Sugar Co-op, Inc.	164,153.35
The South Coast Corp.	3,730,195.54
Southdown Sugars, Inc.	608,940.00
Spreckels Sugar Division (Amstar)	14,871,188.33
Sugar Cane Growers Co-op.	433,774.31
Supreme Sugar Co. Inc.	235,334.06
Talisman Sugar Corp.	709,236.00
U & I, Inc.	2,610,225.13
U. S. Sugar Corp.	623,516.95
Union Sugar Division (Consolidated Foods Corp.)	1,337,095.93
Valentine Sugars, Inc.	26,267.16
Waialua Sugar Co. Inc.	3,280,066.17
Wailuku Sugar Co.	1,325,673.09
Westfield Factory (Dugas and LeBlanc Ltd.)	307,028.54
Total	<u>\$111,673,336.43</u>

Note: Above payments represent 90 percent of estimated amount due on sugar marketed through November 7 for which proceeds were accounted to the processor prior to November 8. After final weights and polarization are reported, final payment will be made.

Dole said that, "While sugar processors are receiving millions, the farmers trying to eke out a living from the marketplace are intentionally ignored by President Carter."