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DOLE CALLS FOR SENATE TO VOICE DISAPPROVAL OF PRESIDENTIAL TERMINATION OF TAIWAN PACT

WASHINGTON -- Sen. Bob Dole (R-Kan.) today called upon the Senate to express its disapproval of President Carter's decision to terminate the United States' Mutual Defense Treaty with the Republic of China.

Dole introduced a sense of the Senate resolution urging the Senate to take a stand against Carter's action.

Following is the text of the Dole resolution:

Whereas the Senate amended the International Security Assistance Authorization Act, S. 3075, on July 25, 1978, expressing the sense of the Senate that there should be "prior consultation" between the Senate and the Executive Branch on any proposed policy changes affecting the continuation in force of the Mutual Defense Treaty of 1954 with the Republic of China; and

Whereas the Amendment was subsequently broadened to express the "sense of Congress" and was part of the measure signed into law by the President on September 26, 1978;

Whereas the President on December 15, 1978 declared that notice of termination of the Mutual Defense Treaty would be sent to the Republic of China, without prior consultation with the Senate or with the government of the Republic of China: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate disapproves of the action of the President of the United States in sending notice of termination of the Mutual Defense Treaty with the Republic of China.