



# NEWS from U.S. Senator Bob Dole

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## CARTER "MONTEZUMA'S REVENGE" COMMAND AFFECTS U.S.—MEXICO RELATIONSHIP

WASHINGTON -- Senator Bob Dole (R-Kan.) said today that "President Carter's oblique comment to the people of Mexico on 'Montezuma's revenge' was less than complimentary and certainly not in the spirit of mutual friendship and respect, a spirit which will be required if we are to truly build a serious and more equal relationship with the United Mexican States."

Beginning President Carter's two day visit to Mexico, Mexican President Jose Lopez Portillo hosted a luncheon at which he said, "It is difficult, particularly between neighbors, to maintain cordial and mutually advantageous relations in an atmosphere of mistrust or open hostility."

Instead of replying to President Portillo's serious comments regarding the two countries, President Carter chose to tell his story of his affliction of "Montezuma's revenge."

"Aside from the fact that President Carter's 'Montezuma's revenge' comment was disrespectful, I don't believe the people of Mexico were interested in his digestive system's inability to function properly", Dole said.