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DOLE WILL CONTINUE EFFORTS TO SEEK SENATE ACTION ON TROOPS

BOSTON, MA-- Senator Bob Dole (R.-Kansas) says he will continue his efforts to seek a Senate vote on delaying consideration of the SALT II treaty until Soviet combat troops are removed from Cuba.

Dole made his statement following President Carter's appearance on Friday afternoon.

"I am pleased that the President has publicly acknowledged the seriousness of the situation, and has indicated to the Soviets that the status quo could have an adverse effect on U.S.-Soviet relations. I think the Soviets may have already gotten that message from the Congress, however, and I think it is important that we continue to indicate that this is a matter of extreme concern," said Dole.

On Thursday Dole introduced a resolution in the Senate linking consideration of the SALT II treaty with removal of Soviet combat troops from Cuba, or an assurance from President Carter, in writing, that Soviet troops in Cuba "pose no threat to the United States or its allies."

An Intelligence Failure

Today Dole also said he believes the Soviet troop situation is "just another in a series of intelligence 'surprises' we've experienced during the past few months."

Dole added, "the time has come for us to totally reassess our intelligence gathering capabilities. When the dust settles from this current problem we should turn our attention to this area."