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DOLE VOTES FOR MX FUNDS

WASHINGTON -- Pointing to national security and improving the U.S. arms control bargaining position, Kansas Senator Bob Dole today voted for engineering and flight-testing funds for the MX missile.

"There are times when we must all take the long view of what is needed for our national security. We must then commit our resources for equipment and weaponry not because we want to, and not because the equipment is a perfect defense, but because we must make responsible judgments about the security of this country. It is vital to point-out that without the credibility that a first-class nuclear defense affords this nation, the arms control efforts that we all stand behind will simply not be productive," Dole said.

"The President has put forth imaginative proposals at the Geneva talks on both intermediate-range and strategic missiles. I also note the flexibility in what the President has put forward. I hope that the leaders of the Soviet Union will also note that flexibility and join us in a real attempt to control these weapons -- and then to stop their further development and proliferation," Dole concluded.