

News from Senator

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DOLE SPEAKS OUT ON FOREIGN AFFAIRS

WASHINGTON -- Senator Bob Dole (R.-Kan.) has recently used several forums to air his views on foreign affairs, and to announce details of his "TRIAD PLAN" to reduce nuclear arms.

In November, Senator Dole headed a Congressional Delegation to Moscow for meetings with Soviet officials on defense, agriculture, and international trade. During a stop in Geneva, the Senator met with America's chief arms control negotiators, General Edward Rowny and Ambassador Paul Nitze. In West Germany, Dole was given a top-level briefing on ground launch cruise missiles, Pershing missiles, and military preparedness in Europe.

During the same trip, Dole attended the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT) meetings in Geneva, and addressed the Helsinki Review Conference in Madrid. As Chairman of the Senate Finance Committee, Dole has jurisdiction over all international trade legislation. He also serves as Co-Chairman of the Helsinki Commission, an international organization dedicated to the security of Europe and the protection of human rights.

As senior Republican on the Senate Agriculture Committee, Dole has been the key figure in getting the Soviet Union and the Reagan Administration to begin negotiations on a new long term grain agreement (LTA). In fact, his former Finance Committee Staff Director, Robert Lighthizer, is now handling those negotiations in his new role as Deputy U. S. Trade Representative.

Senator Dole has recently returned from Anchorage, Alaska, where he addressed the World Affairs Council, and gave details of his Triad Plan to reduce nuclear arms. The Triad Plan is unique in that it would include in arms negotiations all elements of both strategic and intermediate range nuclear weapons. The Senator had previously spoken on national security to the annual convention of the Kansas American Legion in Topeka on May 14.

On May 17, Senator Dole was the featured speaker before the prestigious United Nations Association of the U.S.A. In that address, Dole discussed the creation of the United Nations some 38 years ago, and current problems in the world economy.

Senator Dole has in the past few months written several editorials for newspapers across the country on various aspects of world affairs. For the Dallas Morning News, the Senator addressed the present situation in Central America on June 3. In the previous week, Senator Dole had written about the San Francisco Summit of 1945 which resulted in creation of the United Nations, and its relevance to the Williamsburg Summit of 1983. Senator Dole has called for President Reagan to meet with Soviet leader Yuri Andropov in the near future, and has supported the efforts of Lawrence, Kansas, which has offered to be the location of such a superpower summit.

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