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LTA ANNOUNCEMENT DENOTES END OF CARTER EMBARGO,

SAYS DOLE

WASHINGTON -- Kansas Senator Bob Dole said today that yesterday's announced long-term grain agreement (LTA) with the Soviet Union represents "the end of a long nightmare of government interference in grain exports started by President Jimmy Carter's embargo of 1980."

"There are those, including some of my friends in Kansas, who found ways to justify the Carter embargo on foreign policy or national security grounds," said Dole. "But President Reagan has kept his word to the American farmer -- he ended the grain embargo and he has finally closed the Pandora's box of government intervention and threats of intervention in agricultural trade which Jimmy Carter opened three years ago."

"Those of us who have consistently supported renewed grain trade with Russia have done our best during the past three years to rebuild the tattered reputation of the United States as a reliable supplier," said Dole, the ranking Republican on the Senate Agriculture Committee.

"The Carter embargo was a devastating blow to our farmers," said Dole. "But we can now see light at the end of the tunnel."

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