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DOLE PICKS BIG THREE FOR BUDGET TASK FORCE -- "WE'RE PLAYING FOR  
ALL THE PEOPLE, NOT JUST WALL STREET"

WASHINGTON -- CALLING IT "THE FIRST MOVE IN A HIGH STAKES GAME WE CAN'T AFFORD TO LOSE", SENATE MINORITY LEADER BOB DOLE ( R-KS ) TODAY NAMED THREE TOP REPUBLICAN COLLEAGUES TO SERVE ON THE UPCOMING BUDGET TALKS BETWEEN THE WHITE HOUSE AND CONGRESS.

DOLE SELECTED SENATORS PETE DOMENICI ( R-N.M. ), MARK HATFIELD ( R-OREGON ) AND BOB PACKWOOD ( R-OREGON ), THE RANKING REPUBLICANS ON THE BUDGET, APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCE COMMITTEES RESPECTIVELY, TO SERVE ON THE BUDGET TASK FORCE.

"THIS IS SERIOUS BUSINESS. TODAY'S SESSION AT THE WHITE HOUSE WAS THE FIRST MOVE IN A HIGH STAKES GAME WE CAN'T AFFORD TO LOSE," DOLE SAID. "AFTER ALL, WE'RE PLAYING FOR ALL THE PEOPLE, NOT JUST WALL STREET. THE FEDERAL DEFICIT IS PUBLIC ENEMY NUMBER ONE, AND THE AMERICAN PEOPLE ARE EXPECTING US TO FACE UP TO THE CRISIS AND PRODUCE. WE'RE SHOOTING FOR AT LEAST \$23 BILLION IN DEFICIT REDUCTION BUT IF WE CAN GET MORE WE WILL.

"THE HARD TIMES ON WALL STREET ARE NOT MUCH DIFFERENT FROM THE ECONOMIC BLOW THAT STAGGERED THE FARBELT THREE YEARS AGO," DOLE ADDED. "MANY OF US WORKED TOGETHER TO HELP MAKE A DIFFERENCE THEN, AND I AM READY TO USE THAT EXPERIENCE NOW TO HELP RESTORE CONFIDENCE IN OUR ECONOMY BOTH AT HOME AND AROUND THE WORLD."

DOLE ALSO SAID THE LEADERS AGREED TODAY THAT DETAILS OF THE BUDGET DELIBERATIONS SHOULD BE KEPT OFF THE FRONT PAGES WHILE NEGOTIATIONS ARE ON-GOING.

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