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DOLE APPLAUDS LAWRENCE CENTRAL JUNIOR HIGH'S
RUSSIAN EXCHANGE PROGRAM

WASHINGTON - Kansas Senator Bob Dole made the following statement on the Senate floor regarding the students and teachers at Central Junior High in Lawrence, Kansas:

I rise to recognize the accomplishments of a special group of students and teachers from Central Junior High School in Lawrence, Kansas.

On May 12, Dr. Pat Boyd and 15 honor students from Central Junior High, left the plains of Kansas for Izheusk ("e jewsk"), Russia. These students are only the second group of American citizens to visit this region of Russia, which, for the past 60 years, has been used for the production of military weapons.

Dr. Boyd and her students have established "Peace House Exchange", an exchange program that will educate both American and Russian students to the importance of international awareness and education.

While in Russia, these young ambassadors have been living with Russian families, attending school with their Russian counterparts, and forming life long friendships. In October, Central Junior High Students and their families will return the favor to their Russian friends by hosting them in Kansas for a three week stay.

These young people have taken it upon themselves to promote international goodwill, and strengthen the ties between our two countries. I wish to commend these students and Dr. Boyd for their part in educating the Russian people and spreading America's message of goodwill.

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