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FROM:

SENATE MAJORITY LEADER

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NRA APOLOGY

STATEMENT OF SENATE MAJORITY LEADER BOB DOLE

I was pleased to see the National Rifle Association apologize for some of the statements in their recent fundraising letter. The NRA has done the right thing. They should not have used some of that language in the first place. Alleged abuses of power by federal law enforcement authorities are a fair and legitimate subject of debate -- for Congress and for the American people. But it is wrong to impugn the motives and actions of the courageous men and women who risk their lives every day in enforcing our laws.

Words do matter. Statements do matter. Our debate should recognize that fact.

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* remarks delivered on Senate floor, approximately 12:10 PM ET.