

Bob Dole



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**WICHITA COMPANY LANDS \$55 MILLION ORDER FOR BEECH C-12**

WASHINGTON - Kansas Senator Bob Dole today announced that the Raytheon Aircraft Company in Wichita, Kansas, has secured a \$55 million order to provide 14 Beech C-12's to the Pentagon. The project is part of program to modernize Army Reserve aircraft.

"Kansas aviation has always stood for quality and value," said Dole. "This modernization program provides essential aircraft for our military and good jobs for Wichita. It's a win-win deal."

For several months, the Pentagon has been reviewing how to utilize congressional funding for aircraft modernization, which was provided in the 1995 Defense Bill.

"I presented the case for the C-12 to Secretary Perry and he agreed that Raytheon and Wichita can provide just what the Army needs," said Dole. "To me, the choice is obvious. Kansas aviation represents top value for our defense dollar."

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