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REMARKS BY SENATOR ROBERT DOLE

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ON BEHALF OF THE U.S. CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATION I WOULD LIKE TO
EXTEND OUR APPRECIATION TO THE PARLIAMENTARY GROUP OF THE
SUPREME SOVIET FOR INVITING US TO THE SOVIET UNION, FOR THIS
LUNCHEON, AND FOR THE MANY, MANY COURTESIES EXTENDED TO US SINCE
OUR ARRIVAL. WE ARE PARTICULARLY INDEBTED TO MR. MALTSEF AND
OTHER OF YOUR REPRESENTATIVES, AND I AM HONORED TO HAVE THE
OPPORTUNITY TO THANK YOU PERSONALLY, CHAIRMAN SHITIKOV.

I SHALL NOT SPEAK BUT A MOMENT OR TWO AS IT WOULD REDUCE THE TIME
WE HAVE TOGETHER TO FOSTER A MEANINGFUL AND CONSTRUCTIVE DIALOGUE
ON MANY CRUCIAL ISSUES. HOPEFULLY, WHEN WE RETURN TO THE UNITED
STATES, WE WILL BE ABLE TO MAKE A CONTRIBUTION TO THE DEVELOPMENT
OF U.S.-SOVIET RELATIONS.

WE HAVE MET WITH A NUMBER OF IMPORTANT SOVIET OFFICIALS, AND WOULD
LIKE TO THANK EACH OF THEM FOR GIVING OF THEIR TIME TO DISCUSS
IMPORTANT MATTERS:

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--DEPUTY SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE RUNOV
--IN EXPORTKLEB, DEPUTY GENERAL DIRECTORS SHCHERBAKOV AND NAUMOV
--FIRST DEPUTY FOREIGN TRADE MINISTER KOMAROV
--DEPUTY FOREIGN TRADE MINISTER SUSHKOV, WHO ALSO SERVED SO WELL
AS CO-CHAIRMAN OF THE US-USSR TRADE AND ECONOMIC COUNCIL MEETING
--THE CHAIRMAN OF THE BANK FOR FOREIGN TRADE, MR. IVANOV
--STATE BANK DEPUTY CHAIRMAN PEKSHEV
--US-CANADIAN INSTITUTE PRESIDENT GEORGE ARBATOV

THIS IS ONLY A PARTIAL LIST OF THE VARIOUS OFFICIALS WE HAVE HAD
THE OPPORTUNITY TO MEET OVER THE PAST THREE DAYS, AND TO WHOM WE
EXPRESS OUR APPRECIATION.

LET ME CONCLUDE WITH THE HOPE THAT IT WILL BE POSSIBLE FOR
REPRESENTATIVES OF THE SUPREME SOVIET PARLIAMENTARY GROUP TO
VISIT THE UNITED STATES SOON. THROUGH SUCH EXCHANGES WE CAN
IMPROVE MUTUAL UNDERSTANDING AND THROUGH BETTER UNDERSTANDING
PERHAPS MAKE THE DECISIONS THAT WILL LEAD TO A BETTER WORLD
AND LASTING PEACE.