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The Honorable Robert Dole
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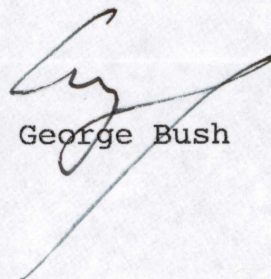
Dear Bob:

Thank you for all that you have done to help me understand the enormity of the drought problem facing our rural communities. I appreciate your insights and assistance.

I am pleased to see that many of the ideas which you discuss in your letter to Secretary Lyng are in the bipartisan drought relief package presently before the Congress. I hope that we can have a clean bill, free from "Christmas tree ornaments" which can be passed and signed this summer to provide the needed relief for those farmers and ranchers who have suffered because of this harsh weather.

With warm regards.

Sincerely,



George Bush