JIMMY CARTER

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To Senator Robert Dole

I need your cooperation in increasing the effectiveness of the executive branch of government. This will, of course, be a common effort among myself and the cabinet officials, the Congress, and our professional civil servants.

My request is that I be given the same reorganization authority granted to Richard Nixon when he became President in 1969.

Your early action will permit us to begin work soon after inauguration.

Respectfully,

Jimmy Carter