

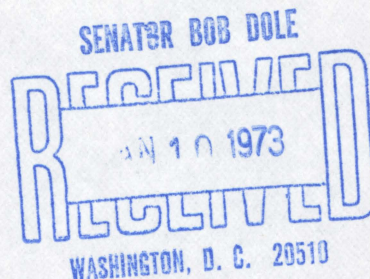
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Hon. Bob Dole
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Dear Bob:

I am dictating this over the telephone as my sciatic nerve leg is still keeping me out of the office occasionally these days.

Is the President cutting into and cutting down the maze of outright subsidies? If he doesn't confine it to any one field, I think the country is ready for it.

Does anyone in your office have or know of the total amount of these outright subsidies? Somewhere or other, I have a recollection of reading some 70 or 80 billions of dollars. Possibly some of them started so long ago that they have been forgotten, but are still continuing. Then undoubtedly there are a number of government agencies that were set up some years ago and conditions they were designed to deal with have changed, but the appropriations are still continuing.

If your office can give me any help on this, I would appreciate having it for a talk that I am making on January 31 at Salina to a joint meeting of the Kiwanis, Rotary and Lions Clubs. ||

I quote from Captain Victor Delano's letter of January 4 received this morning: "This morning I watched Senator Dole do an excellent job of defending the President with respect to the intensified bombing in North Vietnam. It was on NBC's 'Today Show.' I thought he was the best that I have ever seen or heard him. Moreover, I was left with the impression that he did it all on his own, with little or no background help from the White House."

Several have mentioned to me with warm commendations that talk of yours. Sorry I missed it.

Theo has already written to thank you for the poinsettia, telling you how much we have enjoyed it through the holidays and are still enjoying it. I appreciate your thoughtfulness in remembering us.

With highest personal regards and every good wish -

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January 11, 1973

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The Honorable Alf M. Landon
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Dear Alf:

Thanks for your letter of January 8 -- sorry to hear your leg is still giving you trouble, but trust you will soon be completely on the mend.

Am enclosing a copy of a staff study prepared by the Joint Economic Committee, which I believe is the most comprehensive work done on the subject of subsidies, and should be helpful to you in preparing your speech for Salina.

Thanks again for writing, and hope to see you one of these days soon.

Kindest personal regards.

Sincerely yours,

BOB DOLE
U. S. Senate

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Enclosure