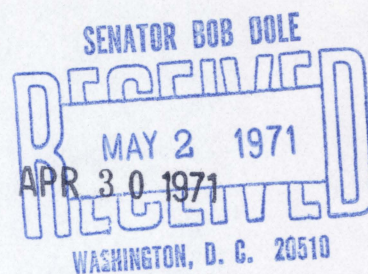




THE SECRETARY OF HEALTH, EDUCATION, AND WELFARE  
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20201



The Honorable Bob Dole  
United States Senate  
Washington, D. C. 20510

Dear Bob:

Please accept my apology for the long delay in responding to your letter of February 1, supporting the invitation extended to me by Dr. James A. McCain to be a Landon Lecturer.

As I have explained to Dr. McCain, my schedule for the fall of this year is already very heavily committed. However, I have suggested that he call me about the possibility of establishing a date in the early months of 1972.

The offer of this excellent opportunity to speak with some of our Nation's young people is most welcome, and I truly hope my schedule will permit me to speak at Kansas State University.

With kindest regards,

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, which appears to read "Elliot", is written above the typed name.

Elliot L. Richardson