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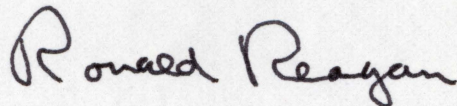
Dear Bob:

Thank you for the role you played in the Senate's rejection of H. Con. Res. 194, which would have disapproved the sale of the air defense enhancement package to Saudi Arabia. By contributing to the stability of the entire Middle East, it will enhance the security of all friendly nations in that area.

With this controversy behind us, we must together turn to the vital enterprise of securing, in the Middle East and elsewhere, the lasting peace that is possible only when America is strong. In that difficult undertaking, I will need your counsel and support.

Please accept my deep appreciation for the decision you made in the best interests of our country.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, reading "Ronald Reagan". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style with a large initial "R".

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