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I sincerely appreciate your concern with this matter, and am pleased that the law has been strengthened.

Sincerely yours,

BOB DOLE
United States Senate

BD:clj
Dear Sir,

Herman Werner and his crimes have been recently brought to my attention and I am deeply concerned of what is going to happen. He and some other men have killed at least 303 golden eagles and 3 bald eagles. He has also killed 7 Canada geese. This was in May, 1971. In May, 1972, he was charged with 374 counts of Federal law violations.

When is his court going to be? Why has it taken so long?

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I am writing about eagle killing in Wyoming. In May of 1971, Herman Werner, who was 79 yrs old, rented a helicopter and hired some gunners. The gunners shot at least 363 golden eagles, 3 bald eagles and 7 Canada geese.

May 11, 1972 Herman Werner was charged with 374 counts of Federal Law Violations. It was possible for him to go to prison for 187 yrs. and pay a fine of $187,000.

Did Herman Werner go to court? And what is being done to prevent this not happening again?

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Senator Robert Dole  
Senate Office Building  
Washington, D. C. 20000

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Sincerely,