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Mrs. [REDACTED]
Portis, Kansas 67474

Dear Mrs. [REDACTED]

Thank you for your letter expressing concern about the escalating arms race. I share your concern and do feel that there must be a general reduction in this arms buildup before there can be any lasting peace. Unfortunately, those who would be our enemies do not appear to want to de-escalate this race; furthermore, these enemies continue to pour arms into North Vietnam.

Representatives of the United States are continually negotiating in Geneva, Switzerland; in Warsaw, Poland; and other places, in our search for a lasting peace and meaningful arms reduction. Our prayers and our hopes must lie with these representatives of our people.

I agree there must be emphasis placed on legislation for the betterment of all the people. I am particularly proud of the Food for Peace legislation which has distributed over \$16 billion worth of food to a starving world since 1954. Perhaps a hundred million people a year are benefited by this generous outpouring of American plenty. There should be no doubt in the minds of our neighbors of our sincerity to secure peace, for our Food for Peace program is a constant reminder of the concern of the American people.

Thank you so much for the benefit of your views on these most important matters. If there is anything I may do for you, please let me know.

Sincerely yours,

BOB DOLE
Member of Congress

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