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REQUESTS FOR EMERGENCY AND NONEMERGENCY APPROPRIATIONS

COMMUNICATION

FROM

THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES

TRANSMITTING

HIS REQUESTS FOR EMERGENCY AND NONEMERGENCY FY 1998 APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE DEPARTMENTS OF AGRICULTURE, ENERGY, THE INTERIOR, AND THE TREASURY; THE NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION; AND, THE NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION SAFETY BOARD, PURSUANT TO 31 U.S.C. 1107

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THE WHITE HOUSE,
Washington, February 20, 1998.

The SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SIR: I ask Congress to consider expeditiously the enclosed requests for emergency and nonemergency FY 1998 appropriations for the Departments of Agriculture, Energy, the Interior, and the Treasury; the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA); and, the National Transportation Safety Board.

For the Department of the Interior's Fish and Wildlife Service "Construction" account, $3.7 million is requested to repair damage to the property and structures of the Guam National Wildlife Refuge resulting from Typhoon Paka. I hereby designate this amount as an emergency funding requirements in accordance with section 251(b)(2)(D)(i) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985, as amended.

To assist the Department of the Treasury in resolving the computer problems and challenges presented by the Year 2000 conversion, transfer authority of up to $250 million is requested as well as authority to extend the availability of unobligated balances existing at the end of FY 1998 into FY 1999.

Also enclosed are requests for a number of departments and agencies for additional transfer authority, authorization to spend increased available receipts, and an additional $16.1 million—offset by rescissions proposed in a Special Message being transmitted concurrently. Taken together, these proposals would not increase FY 1998 budget totals. Finally, a number of technical amendments to my FY 1999 Budget request are enclosed.

The details of these requests are set forth in the enclosed letter from the Director of the Office of Management and Budget. I concur with his comments and observations.

Sincerely,

WILLIAM J. CLINTON.

Enclosure.

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105th Congress, 2nd Session

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20503

THE DIRECTOR

February 20, 1998

The President

The White House

Submitted for your consideration are FY 1998 supplemental requests for the Departments of Agriculture, Energy, the Interior, and the Treasury; the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA); and, the National Transportation Safety Board. For emergency requirements, $3.7 million is requested for the Department of the Interior. For the Department of the Treasury, authority is requested to reallocate FY 1998 funds to meet the challenges posed by the Year 2000 computer conversion problem. Other requests would reallocate existing resources as well as provide an additional $16.1 million for a number of departments and agencies, fully offset by rescission proposals presented for your consideration in the accompanying Special Message.

Emergency Requirement

For the Department of the Interior, $3.7 million is requested to repair damage to the property and structures of the Guam National Wildlife Refuge resulting from Typhoon Paka. I recommend that you designate this amount as an emergency funding requirement in accordance with section 251(b)(2)(D)(i) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985, as amended. The amount requested would be fully offset by a proposed rescission of emergency funding that is in excess of requirements for restoring public lands damaged by fire.

Year 2000 Conversion

To address difficulties related to the Year 2000 computer conversion problems confronting the Department of the Treasury, authority is requested to allow the Department to transfer up to $250 million among accounts and to extend the availability of unobligated balances existing at the end of FY 1998 into FY 1999.

Other Supplemental Requests

Supplemental appropriations are requested to reallocate resources in order to address current requirements more effectively. The proposals would:

- Provide $5 million to the Department of Agriculture to improve its civil rights and Department-wide management activities.

- Transfer $12 million to the Department of Energy's "Defense Environmental Restoration and Waste Management" account to improve the management of hazardous chemicals and radioactive liquid waste at the Hanford site in Washington.

- Provide the Department of Energy the authority to use $5.4 million in payments from foreign nations for the management of spent nuclear fuel elements at the Savannah River site.

- Allow the Department of the Interior to spend $6.7 million in Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) rental receipts to meet the increased workload and information demands resulting from increased OCS oil and gas leasing.

- Transfer $3.2 million between two accounts within Interior's Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement to align resources with workload more appropriately.

- Provide $5.7 million to the Department of the Interior for increased workload associated with the class action suit, Cobell v. Babbitt, concerning the alleged mismanagement of over 300,000 individual Indian trust accounts.

- Allow NASA to transfer $173 million among accounts in order to fund the International Space Station.

- Provide $5.4 million for continuing the investigation into the causes of the TWA Flight 800 crash.

Budgetary Impact of Proposals

These supplemental requests would not increase FY 1998 budget totals. The increases requested are offset by transfers of existing resources, increased available receipts, and rescissions proposed in the Special Message accompanying this package.

Language Supplementals/Technical Amendments

Language supplementals are requested to:

- Clarify that funds provided in FY 1998 for the Food Stamp Program are available until expended.

- Allow the Department of Energy to use FY 1998 appropriated funds to pay the retraining costs of eight employees at the Pinellas Plant site.

In addition, technical amendments to your FY 1999 Budget are included for the Departments of Justice and Transportation, the Environmental Protection Agency, International Assistance Programs, the Corporation for National and Community Service, and the Morris K. Udall Scholarship and Excellence in National Policy Resolution Fund.

I have carefully reviewed these proposals and am satisfied that they are necessary at this time. Therefore, I join the heads of affected departments and agencies in recommending that these proposals be transmitted to the Congress.

Sincerely,

Franklin D. Raines
Director

Enclosures

FY 1998 SUPPLEMENTAL REQUEST

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

DEPARTMENTAL ADMINISTRATION

Departmental Administration

For an additional amount for "Departmental Administration," $4,800,000, of which $500,000 shall remain available until expended to establish an advisory committee on civil rights and which shall be exempt from section 720 of P.L. 105-86.

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) would use $2.9 million of the $4.8 million proposed supplemental funding to enhance the Department's civil rights activities, to support recommendations contained in the February 1997 USDA Civil Rights Action Team report and the Secretary's commitment to improve the Department's handling of civil rights issues. Increases in the Departmental Administration program are proposed to improve civil rights activities for the Department's personnel function, conflict resolution, and outreach to individuals, businesses, and institutions. Included in the $2.9 million is $500,000 to create an advisory committee to the Secretary on civil rights, since USDA is otherwise limited by the FY 1998 appropriations act to a total of $1 million for advisory committees.

The remaining $1.9 million of the supplemental would be used to compensate for significant reductions in non-civil rights programs in the Departmental Administration (DA) area that were made in the FY 1998 appropriations act. The appropriation conference report earmarked $15 million of the $27 million DA appropriation "for civil rights enforcement activities," at the same time as the bill reduced overall DA funding from $31 million in FY 1997 and $30 million requested. DA activities reduced by the earmark include human resource management, real and personal property management, procurement and contracting support, and Department-wide management of motor vehicles, aircraft, supplies, and telecommunications.

This proposal, together with the accompanying proposal for the Office of General Counsel, would increase FY 1998 outlays by $5 million.

FY 1998 SUPPLEMENTAL REQUEST

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

OFFICE OF GENERAL COUNSEL

Office of the General Counsel

For an additional amount for the Office of the General Counsel, $235,000.

These funds would be used for increased processing and adjudication of civil rights complaints brought by both employees and applicants for employment in the Department, as well as by individuals who allege violations of their civil rights in programs administered by the Department.

FY 1998 SUPPLEMENTAL REQUEST

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

FOOD AND CONSUMER SERVICE

Food Stamp Program

Of the amounts made available under this head in Public Law 105-86, funds for employment and training shall remain available until expended as authorized by section 16 (h)(1) of the Food Stamp Act, as amended.

Language is requested to clarify that funds appropriated for FY 1998 for work activities for childless, able-bodied individuals ages 18-50 in the Food Stamp Program are available until expended. The authorization for these funds, enacted in the Balanced Budget Act of 1997, states that such amounts shall be available until expended, but the FY 1998 appropriation should be clarified regarding the period of availability. Similar Language similar is included in the FY 1999 Budget to clarify that FY 1999 funds for work activities are available until expended.

This proposal would not increase FY 1998 outlays.

FY 1998 SUPPLEMENTAL REQUEST

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

ATOMIC ENERGY DEFENSE ACTIVITIES

Defense Environmental Restoration and Waste Management

For an additional amount for atomic energy defense environmental restoration and waste management activities, including the purchase, construction, and acquisition of plant and capital equipment, and other necessary expenses, $12,000,000, to remain available until expended, to be derived from funds appropriated in the Energy and Water Development Appropriations Act, 1998, or prior year Acts, as follows: $1,000,000 from "Weapons Activities;" $5,000,000 from "Uranium Enrichment Decontamination and Decommissioning Fund" for carrying out title X, subtitle A, of the Energy Policy Act of 1992; and, $6,000,000 from "Other Defense Activities."

The Department of Energy's management of underground single-shell tanks used for the storage of hazardous chemicals and highly radioactive liquid waste at the Hanford site in Washington remains one of its most serious environmental challenges. This supplemental request would accelerate the pumping schedules for removing liquid waste from these tanks, and provide the funding necessary to investigate the extent of contamination in the soil and groundwater and its rate of migration toward the Columbia River. Of the 149 single shell tanks, 67 tanks have been identified as having leaked in the past. The Department is currently investigating several additional tanks to assess liquid levels and determine the potential for leaks. Recent reports issued by the Department confirm that liquid waste has leaked from the tanks and has reached the groundwater.

Prior to FY 1998, 63 of the 67 leaking tanks had been pumped. So far in FY 1998, another tank has been completed, and pumping of two additional tanks will be initiated. For technical reasons, pumping of the final leaking tank cannot be initiated prior to FY 1999. This supplemental would provide a total of $12 million in FY 1998 to take a preemptive course of action to accelerate the transfer of the material in two of the leaking tanks as well as the remaining non-leaking single-shell tanks. A request to reprogram an additional $3 million from lower priority activities is also being submitted. Of the total of $15 million, $9 million will be used to remove liquid from the remaining single shell tanks, and $6 million will be used to provide for personnel training and to obtain additional equipment necessary to support accelerated removal of material to double-shell tanks. Hanford will provide additional funds from within the FY 1999 funding level for the accelerated tank transfers in FY 1999 and FY 2000. This accelerated course of action will help to achieve compliance with the Hanford Tri-Party Agreement.

Offsets are proposed in this supplemental request that are in excess of requirements from programs that total $12 million. This proposed supplemental request would increase FY 1998 outlays by $0.35 million.

FY 1998 SUPPLEMENTAL REQUEST

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

DEPARTMENTAL ADMINISTRATION

Departmental Administration

For an additional amount for Cost of Work for Others, to be derived from fees authorized by sections 31 and 33 of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 (42 U.S.C. 2051 and 2053), $5,408,000, to remain available until expended.

This request would provide the Cost of Work program within Departmental Administration with the authority to spend additional receipts, estimated at $5.41 million in FY 1998. This would increase the program from $32.062 million to $37.472 million. The receipts are payments received from foreign nations for the management of spent nuclear fuel elements at the Savannah River site.

The Department's Foreign Research Reactor Spent Nuclear Fuel Program provides for the receipt and management of spent fuel elements that the United States previously provided to foreign nations as energy sources. This program is integral to the Administration's nonproliferation objectives. Within this program, nations provide payment to the Department for a portion of the costs associated with the fuel elements. These revenues and the associated work scope are included within the Cost of Work program

This proposal would decrease FY 1998 outlays by $0.9 million.

FY 1998 SUPPLEMENTAL REQUEST

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

GENERAL PROVISIONS

Section 303 of the Energy and Water Development Appropriations Act, 1998, is amended by inserting at the end the following new paragraph: "This provision does not apply to the worker transition plan for the Pinellas Plant site.".

This proposal would modify FY 1998 appropriations language that is impeding accelerated closure activities at the Department of Energy's Pinellas Plant. Currently, section 303 of the FY 1998 Energy and Water Development Appropriations Act prohibits the use of appropriated funds to develop or implement a workforce restructuring plan that covers employees of the Department of Energy. It also prohibits enhanced severance payment or other benefits for employees of the Department under section 3161 of the National Defense Authorization Act. This language is impeding planned accelerated closure activities at Pinellas.

The accelerated closure of the Pinellas Plant (12 to 18 months faster than originally planned, with a potential savings of $40 million) is supported by a work force restructuring plan approved in February 1996. A critical element of this plan is the retention of key Federal staff through the transition until the final Federal closedown was achieved. The plan was based on authority that existed prior to enactment of the FY 1998 appropriation. One specific benefit offered to employees was post-separation career retraining for employees who agreed to remain until no longer needed. Several employees agreed to remain until the final weeks of the transition, in part due to the promise of career retraining benefits.

There are eight employees who remained until plant closure and who began to use the benefits. Six of the eight began courses prior to FY 1998 but cannot be provided benefits to complete their retraining under the appropriations prohibition. This proposal would allow those employees to be provided benefits under the Pinellas Federal Work Force Restructuring Plan to complete their retraining. The current estimate of the cost to the Government ranges from $60,000 to $80,000, which would be provided from existing funds.

This proposal would not increase FY 1998 outlays.

FY 1998 SUPPLEMENTAL REQUEST

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE

Construction

For an additional amount for "Construction," $3,688,000, to remain available until expended, to repair damage caused by floods and other acts of nature: Provided, That the entire amount is designated by Congress as an emergency requirement pursuant to section 251(b)(2)(D)(i) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985, as amended.

These funds will enable the Fish and Wildlife Service to repair damage to the property and structures of the Guam National Wildlife Refuge that resulted from the December 1997 record-setting Typhoon Paka. Funding will be used for debris cleanup, recreation facility restoration, demolition of buildings left unsafe by the storm, habitat restoration, and road repair.

The entire amount requested is designated by the President as an emergency requirement pursuant to the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985, as amended.

FY 1998 SUPPLEMENTAL REQUEST

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

MINERALS MANAGEMENT SERVICE

Royalty and Offshore Minerals Management

For an additional amount to meet increased demand and workload requirements stemming from higher than anticipated leasing activity in the Gulf of Mexico, $6,675,000, to remain available until expended, from increased receipts resulting from increases to rates in effect on August 5, 1993, from rate increases to fee collections for Outer Continental Shelf administrative activities performed by the Minerals Management Service over and above the rates in effect on September 30, 1993, and from additional fees for Outer Continental Shelf administrative activities established after September 30, 1993.

These funds will enable the Minerals Management Service to meet increased workload and information demands stemming from higher than anticipated Outer Continental Shelf oil and gas leasing activity in the Central and Western Gulf of Mexico. The dramatic leasing increase in the Central and Western areas over the past two years has resulted from rapid advances in drilling and production technology as well as from 1996 royalty relief legislation that provided incentives for deep water drilling.

This proposal would not increase FY 1998 outlays.

FY 1998 SUPPLEMENTAL REQUEST

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

OFFICE OF SURFACE MINING RECLAMATION AND ENFORCEMENT

Abandoned Mine Reclamation Fund

For an additional amount for the Abandoned Mine Reclamation Fund, $3,163,000, to be derived by transfer from amounts available in Public Law 105-83 under the heading, "Regulation and Technology," subject to the same terms and conditions of the account to which transferred.

The transfer of funds between the Office of Surface Mining's (OSM's) Abandoned Mine Reclamation Fund account and its Regulation and Technology account is necessary to identify and present resources associated with OSM's activities within their new budget structure more appropriately. OSM has made refinements to the proper allocation of resources to various appropriation accounts and activities within the accounts. Making this transfer would assist OSM in performance measure reporting.

This proposal would decrease FY 1998 outlays by $1.3 million.

FY 1998 SUPPLEMENTAL REQUEST

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS

Operation of Indian Programs

For an additional amount for "Operation of Indian Programs," $1,050,000, to remain available until expended, for the cost of document collection and production, including electronic imaging, required to support litigation involving individual Indian trust fund accounts.

These funds are required for document collection to support the Government's defense of a lawsuit filed on June 10, 1996, entitled Elouise Pepion Cobell et al. v. Bruce Babbit et al.. The lawsuit was filed on behalf of approximately 300,000 holders of Individual Indian Money (IIM) accounts. The suit alleges that the Secretary of the Interior has breached his trust responsibility in the administration of IIM accounts and seeks, in part, a formal accounting for all IIM accounts. The amount requested would support document collection for a small sample of accounts.

This proposal would increase FY 1998 outlays by $0.7 million.

FY 1998 SUPPLEMENTAL REQUEST

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

OFFICE OF SPECIAL TRUSTEE FOR AMERICAN INDIANS

Federal Trust Programs

For an additional amount for "Federal Trust Programs," $4,650,000, to remain available until expended, for the cost of document collection and production, including electronic imaging, required to support litigation involving individual Indian trust fund accounts.

These funds are required for document collection to support the Government's defense of a lawsuit filed on June 10, 1996, entitled Elouise Pepion Cobell et al. v. Bruce Babbit et al.. The lawsuit was filed on behalf of approximately 300,000 holders of Individual Indian Money (IIM) accounts. The suit alleges that the Secretary of the Interior has breached his trust responsibility in the administration of IIM accounts and seeks, in part, a formal accounting for all IIM accounts. The amount requested would support document collection for a small sample of accounts.

This proposal would increase FY 1998 outlays by $3.2 million.

FY 1998 SUPPLEMENTAL REQUEST

DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

GENERAL PROVISIONS --

DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Title I of the Treasury Department Appropriations Act, 1998, is amended by adding the following new provision: "Sec. 125. In addition to any other transfer authority provided in this title to the Department of the Treasury, and subject to notice transmitted in advance to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations, amounts made available in this title, and balances remaining available from prior-year appropriations for the Department, may be transferred to any other Department accounts, to be available only for Year 2000 century date change conversion requirements: Provided, That the total amount transferred pursuant to this authority shall not exceed $250,000,000.".

This proposal would provide the Department of the Treasury the authority to transfer up to $250 million among appropriations for the explicit purpose of addressing year 2000 conversion problems.

This proposal would not increase FY 1998 outlays.

FY 1998 SUPPLEMENTAL REQUEST

DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

TITLE V -- GENERAL PROVISIONS

THIS ACT

Section 510 of the Treasury and General Government Appropriations Act, 1998, is amended as follows: "Subject to notice transmitted in advance to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations, any unobligated balances remaining available at the end of fiscal year 1998 from appropriations made available to the Department of the Treasury for fiscal year 1998 shall remain available through September 30, 1999, to be used only for Year 2000 century date change conversion requirements.".

This proposal would allow the Department of the Treasury full use of any carryover balances that may exist at the end of FY 1998 for the explicit purpose of funding Year 2000 century date conversion efforts in FY 1999.

This proposal would not increase FY 1998 outlays.

FY 1998 SUPPLEMENTAL REQUEST

NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION

Human Space Flight

Upon his determination that such action is necessary and with the approval of the Office of Management and Budget, the Administrator may transfer from amounts made available for NASA in Public Law 105-65 under the heading, "Mission support," $45,000,000, and under the heading, "Science, aeronautics and technology," $128,000,000, to "Human space flight" for the International Space Station program, to be merged with and to be available for the same purposes of such account: Provided, That the Administrator shall notify the Congress promptly of all transfers made pursuant to this authority.

This supplemental request is needed in FY 1998 for the International Space Station to maintain its planned assembly schedule and control outyear costs. This request would provide transfer authority of up to $173 million from the "Science, Aeronautics and Technology" account and the "Mission Support" account to the "Human Space Flight" account. In addition to this request, NASA plans to reprogram $27 million within the "Human Space Flight" account for the International Space Station. The requested transfer authority and reprogramming would provide an additional $200 million for the Space Station.

This proposal would not increase FY 1998 outlays.

FY 1998 SUPPLEMENTAL REQUEST

NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION SAFETY BOARD

Salaries and Expenses

For an additional amount for "Salaries and Expenses" for necessary expenses resulting from the crash of TWA Flight 800, $5,400,000: Provided, That the entire amount is available only for costs associated with rental of the Calverton facility, of which not to exceed $500,000 is for security expenses: Provided further, That no funds or unobligated balances are available to provide for or permit flight operations at the Calverton airstrip.

This request would provide funding for the National Transportation Safety Board to continue its investigation of the TWA Flight 800 accident in the Calverton facility. The $5.4 million request would fund the full 1998 Calverton rental costs, including heating, supplies, and personnel, and would provide $500 thousand for security functions previously performed by the FBI. The $5.4 million request assumes closure of the Calverton airstrip and termination of associated firefighting costs.

This request would increase FY 1998 outlays by $4.8 million.

FY 1999 BUDGET AMENDMENT

Agency:	DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
Heading:	GENERAL PROVISIONS--DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FY 1999 Budget Appendix Page:	631
FY 1999 Pending Request:	----
Proposed Amendment:	Language
Revised Request:	----

(In the appropriations language under the above heading, insert the following new general provision at the end, after section 115:)

Sec. 116. Section 286(e) (1) of the Immigration and Nationality Act, as amended (8 U.S.C. 1356(e)(1)), is further amended as follows: "The Attorney General is authorized to charge and collect the immigration inspection or preinspection fee as authorized by subsection (d) from aircraft or commercial vessel passengers whose journey originated in Mexico, Canada, a territory or possession of the United States, or any adjacent island: Provided, That this section shall not apply to immigration inspection at designated ports-of-entry of passengers arriving by international ferries or vessels on the Great Lakes and connecting waterways, when operating on a regular schedule.".

This proposal would remove an exemption for cruise ships from the imposition of immigration inspection fees. The provision was inadvertently omitted from the General Provisions of the Department of Justice in the FY 1999 Budget Appendix.

This amendment would not affect the proposed budget totals.

FY 1999 BUDGET AMENDMENT

Agency:	DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
Bureau:	FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION
Heading:	Operations
FY 1999 Budget Appendix Page:	699
FY 1999 Pending Request:	$5,631,130,000
Proposed Amendment:	-$43,000,000
Revised Request:	$5,588,130,000

This proposal would amend the pending request to reflect correctly the FY 1999 requested level. The appropriations language shown in the Budget Appendix erroneously double-counts an estimated $43 million in mandatory budget authority derived from overflight fee collections.

This amendment would not affect the proposed budget totals.

FY 1999 BUDGET AMENDMENT

Agency:	DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
Bureau:	NATIONAL HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SAFETY ADMINISTRATION
Heading:	Operations and Research (Highway Trust Fund)
FY 1999 Budget Appendix Page:	718
FY 1999 Pending Request:	$172,902,000
Proposed Amendment:	Language
Revised Request:	$172,902,000

(In the appropriations language under the above heading, delete "$49,520,000" and substitute $115,844,000.)

This proposal would amend the pending request to reflect correctly the portion of the request that would remain available for obligation until September 30, 2001.

This amendment would not affect the proposed budget totals.

FY 1999 BUDGET AMENDMENT

Agency:	ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
Heading:	State and Tribal Assistance Grants
FY 1999 Budget Appendix Page:	880
FY 1999 Pending Request:	$2,902,657,000
Proposed Amendment:	Language
Revised Request:	$2,902,657,000

(In the appropriations language under the above heading, delete "$100,000,000 for grants to the appropriate instrumentality" and substitute $50,000,000 for grants to the appropriate instrumentality.)

This proposal would amend the pending request to reflect correctly the policy proposed in the FY 1999 Budget. The FY 1999 Budget proposes $50 million for cleanup of Boston Harbor.

This amendment would not affect FY 1999 outlays.

FY 1999 BUDGET AMENDMENT

Agency:	INTERNATIONAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS
Bureau:	MULTILATERAL ASSISTANCE
Heading:	Contribution to the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development
FY 1999 Budget Appendix Page:	934
FY 1999 Pending Request:	$300,000,000
Proposed Amendment:	Language
Revised Request:	$300,000,000

(In the appropriations language under the above heading, insert , of which $192,500,000 shall be for contributions previously due immediately following "expended.")

This language identifies that portion of this account's appropriation request that should be included in the adjustments to the discretionary spending limits, if any, set forth in the appropriate concurrent resolution on the budget, and in the 302(a) allocations and in the adjustment to the discretionary spending limits under sections 10114 and 10203 of the Budget Enforcement Act of 1997. The proposed budget totals would not be affected.

FY 1999 BUDGET AMENDMENT

Agency:	INTERNATIONAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS
Bureau:	MULTILATERAL ASSISTANCE
Heading:	Contribution to the Inter-American Development Bank
FY 1999 Budget Appendix Page:	936
FY 1999 Pending Request:	$21,152,000
Proposed Amendment:	Language
Revised Request:	$21,152,000

(In the appropriations language under the above heading, insert , and which shall be for contributions previously due immediately following "expended.")

This language identifies that portion of this account's appropriation request that should be included in the adjustments to the discretionary spending limits, if any, set forth in the appropriate concurrent resolution on the budget, and in the 302(a) allocations and in the adjustment to the discretionary spending limits under sections 10114 and 10203 of the Budget Enforcement Act of 1997. The proposed budget totals would not be affected.

FY 1999 BUDGET AMENDMENT

Agency:	CORPORATION FOR NATIONAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICE
Heading:	National and Community Service Programs Operating Expenses
FY 1999 Budget Appendix Page:	1043
FY 1999 Pending Request:	$499,816,000
Proposed Amendment:	-$500,000
Revised Request:	$499,316,000

The amendment reduces the request for AmeriCorps Grants activity by $500,000 to permit an increase in funding for the Office of the Inspector General of the Corporation for National and Community Service. About 31 fewer AmeriCorps members would be funded through grants.

This proposal would decrease FY 1999 outlays by $163,000.

FY 1999 BUDGET AMENDMENT

Agency:	CORPORATION FOR NATIONAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICE
Heading:	Office of the Inspector General
FY 1999 Budget Appendix Page:	1045
FY 1999 Pending Request:	$2,500,000
Proposed Amendment:	$500,000
Revised Request:	$3,000,000

The amendment would provide an additional $500,000 for the Office of the Inspector General so that the same level of audit activity can be financed in FY 1999 as was financed in FY 1998. This proposed increase would be offset by an equivalent decrease in the National and Community Service Programs Operating Expenses account of the Corporation for National and Community Service.

This proposal would increase FY 1999 outlays by $275,000.

FY 1999 BUDGET AMENDMENT

Agency:	MORRIS K. UDALL SCHOLARSHIP AND EXCELLENCE IN NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY FOUNDATION
Heading:	Environmental Dispute Resolution Fund
FY 1999 Budget Appendix Page:	1099
FY 1999 Pending Request:	$4,250,000
Proposed Amendment:	Language
Revised Request:	$4,250,000

(Insert the appropriation language that follows immediately after the material under the heading "Environmental Dispute Resolution Fund.")

For payment to the Environmental Dispute Resolution Fund to carry out activities authorized in the Environmental Policy and Conflict Resolution Act of 1997, $4,250,000, to remain available until expended, of which $3,000,000 will be for capitalization of the Fund, and $1,250,000 will be for annual operating costs.

This amendment would provide funds to establish the U.S. Institute for Environmental Conflict Resolution within the Morris K. Udall Scholarship and Excellence in National Environmental Policy Foundation. The Institute is designed to conduct environmental conflict resolution and training, and will provide mainly Federal agencies with assessment, mediation, or other related services in connection with a dispute or conflict related to the environment, public lands, or natural resources. Under the amendment, a new Environmental Dispute Resolution Fund would be established to collect fees from contracting parties to pay for environmental dispute resolution cases. The funds would be used for: (1) capitalization of the new fund ($3,000,000); and, (2) annual operating costs ($1,250,000).

These funds were included in the FY 1999 Budget as an item to be transmitted to Congress at a later date. The proposed budget totals would not be affected.