

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 28, 2001

Dear Mr. Speaker:

In accordance with provisions of P.L. 107-38, the Emergency Supplemental Appropriations Act for Recovery from and Response to Terrorist Attacks on the United States, FY 2001, today I have authorized transfers from the Emergency Response Fund totaling \$1.8 billion for emergency and national security activities listed in the enclosed letter from the Deputy Director of the Office of Management and Budget.

These funds are in addition to the \$5.1 billion that I authorized for transfer on September 21st and will allow the Government to continue responding to immediate needs arising from the deadly attacks against our country.

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

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "George W. Bush", with a large, stylized initial "G" and "B".

The Honorable J. Dennis Hastert
Speaker of the
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

Enclosure



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

THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR

September 28, 2001

The President

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Submitted for your consideration are requests to make available by transfer previously appropriated funds provided in P.L. 107-38, the Emergency Supplemental Appropriations Act for Recovery from and Response to Terrorist Attacks on the United States, FY 2001. On September 21st you authorized the initial transfers from the Emergency Response Fund (ERF) totaling \$5.1 billion.

Your approval of these additional requests would transfer \$1.8 billion from the ERF to the Department of Defense, the Executive Office of the President, and the Legislative and Judicial Branches. The funding would address consequences of the attacks, including funding for security enhancements and initial crisis and recovery operations of the Department of Defense and other national security operations. No further congressional action is required for these transfers.

We are continuing to work with the agencies to determine additional needs and will be forwarding recommendations on subsequent transfers from the ERF.

I have carefully reviewed these proposals and am satisfied that they are necessary at this time. Therefore, I join the heads of the affected Departments and agencies in recommending your approval of the transfers described in the enclosure.

Cordially,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Sean O'Keefe", is located below the text "Cordially,".

Sean O'Keefe
Deputy Director

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**EMERGENCY APPROPRIATIONS: AMOUNTS PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED
NOW BEING TRANSFERRED BY THE PRESIDENT FROM
THE EMERGENCY RESPONSE FUND**

Department of Defense -- Military \$1,736,000,000

These funds will provide the Department of Defense (DOD) with the funds necessary to continue the following activities: upgrading intelligence and security; enhancing force protection; improving command and control; increasing full readiness; supporting initial crisis response; and providing for other needs. DOD has stepped up its operations worldwide, implemented stricter security measures, and deployed forces to support law enforcement and recovery activities around the United States. The Department requires an immediate release of funds to ensure that the Military Services can continue increased efforts against global terrorist activities, sustain protective deployments, and protect the safety and health of service members and the public.

Executive Office of the President

Office of Administration
Salaries and Expenses \$6,688,000

These funds will provide for the relocation of Eisenhower Executive Office Building personnel and other security needs.

Federal Drug Control Programs

High Intensity Drug Trafficking Areas \$2,300,000

These funds will be used by the New York High Intensity Drug Trafficking Areas task forces to replace destroyed equipment in order to ensure continued operations.

Legislative Branch

Senate \$5,265,000
House of Representatives \$1,265,000
Office of the Attending Physician \$1,500,000
Capitol Police \$40,300,000
Architect of the Capitol \$32,373,000
Library of Congress \$2,500,000

These funds will support increased security measures, including paying overtime compensation for the Capitol Police, preparing for future terrorist events, and performing actions that can be taken to reduce the risk and potential damage to life and property caused by future terrorist events.

Judicial Branch

Court of Appeals, District Courts, and other Judicial Services

Court Security \$19,700,000

These funds will be used for heightened security in courthouses, including covering the costs of converting part-time court security officers to full-time and the costs required to maintain enhanced perimeter patrols and the visual inspection of vehicles that enter courthouse facilities.