

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

February 25, 2002

Dear Mr. Speaker:

In furtherance of the 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 am notifying Congress of my intent to reallocate funds previously transferred from the Emergency Response Fund to the Department of Defense. This reallocation reflects revised requirements in light of changing security needs in the wake of the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001.

As provided in P.L. 107-38, \$33 million will be made available 15 days from the date of this transmittal for continued deployment of the National Guard at our Nation's airports through the end of March.

The details of this action 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,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "G. W. Bush", is centered below the word "Sincerely,".

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

Enclosure



THE DIRECTOR

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

February 25, 2002

The President

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Submitted for your consideration is a request to revise the allocation of certain 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. This request would reallocate funds originally transferred from the Emergency Response Fund (ERF) to the Department of Defense (DoD) on November 9th; these funds were originally subject to the 15-day congressional review period.

To date, you have transferred \$228 million from ERF to DoD for the National Guard to provide security at our Nation's airports. At this time, an additional \$33 million is necessary to sustain this mission. Specifically, this request would reallocate \$30 million from DoD family support programs and \$3 million from DoD logistics support programs to the National Guard to provide airport security through March 28th. Consistent with the original proposal, these funds will be available 15 days after the transmittal of this request.

I have carefully reviewed this proposal and am satisfied that it is necessary at this time. Therefore, I join the Secretary of Defense in recommending your approval of the requested reallocation.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, reading "ME Daniels Jr", is positioned below the word "Sincerely,".

Mitchell E. Daniels, Jr.
Director

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**REALLOCATION OF AMOUNTS PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED AND
TRANSFERRED FROM THE EMERGENCY RESPONSE FUND TO THE
DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**

Available After 15 Days:

Department of Defense -- Military.....\$33,000,000

These funds will allow the National Guard to continue to provide airport security through March 28th.