

MAKING AVAILABLE APPROPRIATIONS

COMMUNICATION

FROM

THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES

TRANSMITTING

HIS REQUEST TO MAKE AVAILABLE \$120.5 MILLION IN PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED EMERGENCY FUNDS FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE, PURSUANT TO 31 U.S.C. 1107



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THE WHITE HOUSE,
Washington, December 3, 1998.

The SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Sir: In accordance with provisions of P.L. 105-277, the Omnibus Consolidated and Emergency Supplemental Appropriations Act, 1999, I hereby request the following:

Department of Defense:

Procurement, Aircraft procurement, Air Force: \$120,500,000

These funds will support the procurement of crisis response aviation assets for critical national security, law enforcement, and emergency response needs.

I hereby designate the above request as an emergency requirement pursuant to section 251(b)(2)(A) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985, as amended.

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,

WILLIAM J. CLINTON.

Enclosure.

[Estimate No. 24, 105th Congress, 2d Session]

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT,
OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET,
Washington, DC, December 3, 1998.

The PRESIDENT,
The White House.

Submitted for your consideration is a request to make available \$120.5 million in previously appropriated emergency funds for the Department of Defense (DoD).

P.L. 105-277, the Omnibus Consolidated and Emergency Supplemental Appropriations Act, 1999, provided \$120.5 million in emergency funding to DoD for the procurement of crisis response aviation assets, contingent upon the President submitting a budget request to the Congress and designating the entire amount requested as an emergency requirement.

I recommend that you designate the amount requested as an emergency requirement in accordance with section 251(b)(2)(A) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985, as amended. No further congressional action will be required.

The resources that you are making available will support the procurement of several aviation assets for use by Government agencies tasked with critical national security, law enforcement, and crisis response missions.

I have carefully reviewed this proposal and am satisfied that it is necessary at this time. Therefore, I recommend that you make the requested funds available by signing the enclosed letter to the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sincerely,

JACOB J. LEW,
Director.

Enclosure.

EMERGENCY APPROPRIATIONS: AMOUNTS PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED
MADE AVAILABLE BY THE PRESIDENT

Department of Defense:

Procurement: Aircraft procurement, Air Force \$120,500,000

Public Law 105-277, the Omnibus Consolidated and Emergency Supplemental Appropriations Act, 1999, provided \$120,500,000 to the Department of Defense, contingent upon the President submitting a budget request to the Congress and designating the entire amount requested as an emergency requirement. None of the funds have yet been designated as an emergency requirement and made available.

At this time, the entire amount is required to support the procurement of several aviation assets for use by Government agencies tasked with critical national security, law enforcement, and crisis response missions.