The per diem rate paid from appropriations made available under this title for services as authorized by section 15 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U.S.C. 55a) or other law, shall not exceed $83.

60 Stat. 810.

Short title.

This Act may be cited as the "Department of the Interior and Related Agencies Appropriation Act, 1966".

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AN ACT

To authorize appropriations to the National Aeronautics and Space Administration for research and development, construction of facilities, and administrative operations, and for other purposes.

National Aeronautics and Space Administration Authorization Act of 1966.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That there is hereby authorized to be appropriated to the National Aeronautics and Space Administration the sum of $5,190,396,200, as follows:

Research and development.

(a) For "Research and development," $4,536,971,000 for the following programs:

(1) Gemini, $242,100,000;
(2) Apollo, $2,967,385,000;
(3) Advanced missions, $10,000,000;
(4) Physics and astronomy, $165,900,000;
(5) Lunar and planetary exploration, $213,115,000;
(6) Bioscience, $31,500,000;
(7) Meteorological satellites, $42,700,000;
(8) Communication satellites, $2,800,000;
(9) Applications technology satellites, $28,700,000;
(10) Launch vehicle development, $63,600,000;
(11) Launch vehicle procurement, $178,700,000;
(12) Space vehicle systems, $35,000,000;
(13) Electronics systems, $34,400,000;
(14) Human factor system, $14,900,000;
(15) Basic research, $22,000,000;
(16) Nuclear-electric systems, $33,000,000;
(17) Nuclear rockets, $58,000,000;
(18) Solar and chemical power, $14,200,000;
(19) Chemical propulsion, $43,700,000;
(20) Aeronautics, $42,200,000;
(21) Tracking and data acquisition, $242,321,000;
(22) Sustaining university program, $46,000,000;
(23) Technology utilization, $4,750,000.

Construction of facilities.

(b) For "Construction of facilities," including land acquisitions, $62,376,350, as follows:

(1) Ames Research Center, Moffett Field, California, $2,749,000;
(2) Electronics Research Center, Cambridge, Massachusetts, $5,000,000;
(3) Goddard Space Flight Center, Greenbelt, Maryland, $2,400,000;
(4) John F. Kennedy Space Center, NASA, Cocoa Beach, Florida, $8,195,000;
(5) Langley Research Center, Hampton, Virginia, $8,250,000;
(6) Lewis Research Center, Cleveland and Sandusky, Ohio, $867,000;
(7) Manned Spacecraft Center, Houston, Texas, $4,180,000;

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(8) George C. Marshall Space Flight Center, Huntsville, Alabama, $2,309,450;

(9) Michoud Plant, New Orleans and Slidell, Louisiana, $284,750;

(10) Mississippi Test Facility, Mississippi, $1,910,450;

(11) Wallops Station, Wallops Island, Virginia, $1,048,000;

(12) Various locations, $20,182,700;

(13) Facility planning and design not otherwise provided for, $5,000,000.

(c) For "Administrative operations," $591,048,850. Administrative expenses.

(d) Appropriations for "Research and development" may be used (1) for any items of a capital nature (other than acquisition of land) which may be required for the performance of research and development contracts and (2) for grants to nonprofit institutions of higher education, or to nonprofit organizations whose primary purpose is the conduct of scientific research, for purchase or construction of additional research facilities; and title to such facilities shall be vested in the United States unless the Administrator determines that the national program of aeronautical and space activities will best be served by vesting title in any such grantee institution or organization. Each such grant shall be made under such conditions as the Administrator shall determine to be required to insure that the United States will receive therefrom benefit adequate to justify the making of that grant. None of the funds appropriated for "Research and development" pursuant to this Act may be used for construction of any major facility, the estimated cost of which, including collateral equipment, exceeds $250,000, unless the Administrator or his designee has notified the Committee on Science and Astronautics of the House of Representatives and the Committee on Aeronautical and Space Sciences of the Senate of the nature, location, and estimated cost of such facility. Program specifications. Notice to congressional committees.

(e) When so specified in an appropriation Act, (1) any amount appropriated for "Research and development" or for "Construction of facilities" may remain available without fiscal year limitation, and (2) maintenance and operation of facilities, and support services contracts may be entered into under the "Administrative operations" appropriation for periods not in excess of twelve months beginning at any time during the fiscal year.

(f) Appropriations made pursuant to subsection 1(c) may be used, but not to exceed $35,000, for scientific consultations or extraordinary expenses upon the approval or authority of the Administrator and his determination shall be final and conclusive upon the accounting officers of the Government. Scientific consultations.

(g) No part of the funds appropriated pursuant to subsection 1(c) for maintenance, repairs, alterations, and minor construction shall be used for the construction of any new facility the estimated cost of which, including collateral equipment, exceeds $100,000.

(h) When so specified in an appropriation Act, any appropriation authorized under this Act to the National Aeronautics and Space Administration may initially be used, during the fiscal year 1966, to finance work or activities for which funds have been provided in any other appropriation available to the Administration and appropriate adjustments between such appropriations shall subsequently be made in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.

SEC. 2. Authorization is hereby granted whereby any of the amounts prescribed in paragraphs (1), (2), (3), (4), (5), (6), (7), (8), (9), (10), (11), and (12), of subsection 1(b) may, in the discretion of the Administrator of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, be varied upward 5 per centum to meet unusual cost variations, but the total cost of all work authorized under such paragraphs shall not exceed a total of $57,376,350.

Transfer of funds.

SEC. 3. Not to exceed one-half of 1 per centum of the funds appropriated pursuant to subsection 1(a) hereof may be transferred to the "Construction of facilities" appropriation, and, when so transferred, together with $10,000,000 of the funds appropriated pursuant to subsection 1(b) hereof (other than funds appropriated pursuant to paragraph (12) of such subsection) shall be available for expenditure to construct, expand, or modify laboratories and other installations at any location (including locations specified in subsection 1(b)), if (1) the Administrator determines such action to be necessary because of changes in the national program of aeronautical and space activities or new scientific or engineering developments, and (2) he determines that deferral of such action until the enactment of the next authorization Act would be inconsistent with the interest of the Nation in aeronautical and space activities. The funds so made available may be expended to acquire, construct, convert, rehabilitate, or install permanent or temporary public works, including land acquisition, site preparation, appurtenances, utilities, and equipment. No portion of such sums may be obligated for expenditure or expended to construct, expand, or modify laboratories and other installations unless (A) a period of thirty days has passed after the Administrator or his designee has transmitted to the Committee on Science and Astronautics of the House of Representatives and to the Committee on Aeronautical and Space Sciences of the Senate a written report containing a full and complete statement concerning (1) the nature of such construction, expansion, or modification, (2) the cost thereof including the cost of any real estate action pertaining thereto, and (3) the reason why such construction, expansion, or modification is necessary in the national interest, or (B) each such committee before the expiration of such period has transmitted to the Administrator written notice to the effect that such committee has no objection to the proposed action.

Report to congressional committees.

Use of funds, restrictions.

SEC. 4. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Act—

(1) no amount appropriated pursuant to this Act may be used for any program deleted by the Congress from requests as originally made to either the House Committee on Science and Astronautics or the Senate Committee on Aeronautical and Space Sciences,

(2) no amount appropriated pursuant to this Act may be used for any program in excess of the amount actually authorized for that particular program by sections 1(a) and 1(c), and

(3) no amount appropriated pursuant to this Act may be used for any program which has not been presented to or requested of either such committee,

unless (A) a period of thirty days has passed after the receipt by each such committee of notice given by the Administrator or his designee containing a full and complete statement of the action proposed to be taken and the facts and circumstances relied upon in support of such proposed action, or (B) each such committee before the expiration of such period has transmitted to the Administrator written notice to the effect that such committee has no objection to the proposed action.

Geographical distribution of funds.

SEC. 5. It is the sense of Congress that it is in the national interest that consideration be given to geographical distribution of Federal research funds whenever feasible, and that the National Aeronautics and Space Administration should explore ways and means of distributing its research and development funds whenever feasible.

Short title.

SEC. 6. This Act may be cited as the "National Aeronautics and Space Administration Authorization Act of 1966".

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