Public Law 89-490

July 4, 1966
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AN ACT

To authorize the Secretary of Defense to lend certain Army, Navy, and Air Force equipment and to provide transportation and other services to the Boy Scouts of America in connection with the Twelfth Boy Scouts World Jamboree and Twenty-first Boy Scouts World Conference to be held in the United States of America in 1967, and for other purposes.

Boy Scouts World Jamboree and Conference, 1967.
Military support.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That (a) the Secretary of Defense is hereby authorized, under such regulations as he may prescribe, to lend to the National Council, Boy Scouts of America, for the use and accommodation of the approximately twenty-five thousand Scouts, Scouters, and officials who are to attend the World Jamboree, Boy Scouts, to be held at Farragut State Park, Idaho, and five hundred Scouters who are to attend the World Conference of Scout Associations in Seattle, Washington, following the Jamboree, in July and August 1967, such tents, cots, blankets, commissary equipment, flags, refrigerators, and other equipment and services as may be necessary or useful, to the extent that items are in stock and available and their issue will not jeopardize the national defense program.

Equipment.

(b) Such equipment is authorized to be delivered at such time prior to the holding of such jamboree, and to be returned at such time after the close of such jamboree, as may be agreed upon by the Secretary of Defense and the National Council, Boy Scouts of America. No expense shall be incurred by the United States Government for the delivery, return, rehabilitation, or replacement of such equipment.

Bond.

(c) The Secretary of Defense, before delivering such property, shall take from the National Council, Boy Scouts of America, good and sufficient bond for the safe return of such property in good order and condition, and the whole without expense to the United States.

Transportation.

SEC. 2. (a) Under regulations prescribed by the Secretary of Defense and to the extent that furnishing such transportation will not interfere with military operations, the Secretary of Defense is authorized to provide transportation without expense to the United States Government from United States military commands overseas, and return, on surface and other transportation facilities of the armed services for (1) those Boy Scouts, Scouters, and officials certified by the National Council, Boy Scouts of America, as representing the National Council, Boy Scouts of America, at the jamboree referred to in the first section of this Act; and (2) the equipment and property of such Boy Scouts, Scouters, and officials and the property loaned to the National Council, Boy Scouts of America, by the Secretary of Defense pursuant to this Act.

Bond.

(b) Before furnishing any transportation under this section, the Secretary of Defense shall take from the National Council, Boy Scouts of America, a good and sufficient bond for the reimbursement to the United States by the National Council, Boy Scouts of America, of the actual costs of transportation furnished under this section.

Reimbursement funds.

SEC. 3. Amounts paid to the United States to reimburse it for expenses incurred under the first section and for the actual cost of transportation furnished under section 2 shall be credited to the current applicable appropriations or funds to which such expenses and costs were charged and shall be available for the same purposes as such appropriations or funds.

Waiver of visa fee.

SEC. 4. Under regulations prescribed by the Secretary of State, no fee shall be collected for the application for a visa by or the issuance of a visa to any Boy Scout, Scouter, or official whose association is certified by the National Council, Boy Scouts of America, as representing

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another nation at the jamboree and world conference referred to in the first section of this Act. Further, the import and export of documents and paraphernalia needed by conference and jamboree delegates and representatives at said world conference and world jamboree will be guaranteed free entry and departure regardless of nationality.

Federal assistance.

SEC. 5. Each department of the Federal Government is hereby authorized under such regulations as may be prescribed by the Secretary thereof to assist the Boy Scouts of America in the carrying out and the fulfillment of the plans for the encampment and conference referred to in sections 1, 2, and 4 of this Act.

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JOINT RESOLUTION

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To establish the American Revolution Bicentennial Commission, and for other purposes.

American Revolution Bicentennial Commission.
Establishment.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That, as this Nation approaches the bicentennial of its birth and the historic events preceding and associated with the American Revolution which are of such major significance in the development of our national heritage of individual liberty, representative government, and the attainment of equal and inalienable rights and which have also had so profound an influence throughout the world, it is appropriate and desirable to provide for the observation and commemoration of this anniversary and these events through local, State, National, and international activities planned, encouraged, developed, and coordinated by a national commission representative of appropriate public and private authorities and organizations.

SEC. 2. (a) There is hereby established a commission to be known as the American Revolution Bicentennial Commission (hereinafter referred to as the "Commission") to plan, encourage, develop, and coordinate the commemoration of the American Revolution bicentennial.

Membership.

(b) The Commission shall be composed of the following members:

(1) Four Members of the Senate to be appointed by the President of the Senate;

(2) Four Members of the House of Representatives to be appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives;

(3) The Secretary of State, the Attorney General, the Secretary of the Interior, the Secretary of Defense, the Secretary of Health, Education, and Welfare, the Librarian of Congress, the Secretary of the Smithsonian Institution, the Archivist of the United States, and the Chairman of the Federal Council on the Arts and the Humanities, all of whom shall be ex officio members of the Commission;

(4) Seventeen members from private life to be appointed by the President, one of whom shall be designated as the Chairman by the President.

(c) Vacancies shall be filled in the same manner in which the original appointments were made.

Duties.

SEC. 3. (a) It shall be the duty of the Commission to prepare an overall program for commemorating the bicentennial of the American Revolution, and to plan, encourage, develop, and coordinate observances and activities commemorating the historic events that preceded, and are associated with, the American Revolution.

(b) In preparing its plans and program, the Commission shall give due consideration to any related plans and programs developed by