Corps who is serving in the grade of lieutenant (junior grade) on the effective date of this Act may not be discharged under that section until June 30 of the second fiscal year following the fiscal year in which this Act is approved.

(d) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, an officer of the Regular Navy in the Nurse Corps who is serving in the grade of lieutenant on the effective date of this Act and who on that date has completed more than thirteen years of active commissioned service may not be involuntarily discharged under section 6396 of title 10, United States Code, as amended by this Act but shall, unless sooner selected for promotion to the grade of lieutenant commander, be retired on June 30 of the fiscal year in which she completes at least twenty years of active commissioned service. Each officer retired under this subsection shall be retired with the retired grade and pay prescribed in section 6396(c) of title 10, United States Code, as it existed before the enactment of this Act.

Ante, p. 380.

70A Stat. 413; 71 Stat. 385.

(e) For five years following the effective date of this Act, the Secretary of the Air Force may suspend the operation of any provision of law pertaining to the mandatory retirement, discharge, separation, or transfer from an active status of an Air Force female officer, except an officer designated under section 8067, title 10, United States Code, to perform professional functions other than as an Air Force nurse or as an Air Force medical specialist.

70A Stat. 494.

Retirement deferment.

(f) Until July 1, 1972, when the needs of the service require, the Secretary of the Army, the Secretary of the Navy, or the Secretary of the Air Force may convene annually boards of officers to consider officers of the Army Nurse Corps, officers of the Navy Nurse Corps, or Air Force nurses, respectively, who otherwise would be required to be retired or separated under this Act within the calendar or fiscal year in which the board is convened. Upon the recommendation of such a board, the Secretary concerned may defer the separation or retirement of such an officer for a term of not more than five years, unless recommended for further deferment by a subsequent board of officers, and in any case not beyond the month following her attaining age sixty or July 1, 1976, whichever may be earlier. Officers whose separation or retirement is so deferred shall be additional to the numbers of officers authorized by sections 3202, 3211, 8202, and 8211, title 10, United States Code.

70A Stat. 172.

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AN ACT

Making appropriations for the National Aeronautics and Space Administration for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1968, and for other purposes.

National Aeronautics and Space Administration Appropriation Act, 1968.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the following sums are appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the National Aeronautics and Space Administration for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1968, and for other purposes, namely:

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RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT

For necessary expenses, not otherwise provided for, including research, development, operations, services, minor construction, supplies, materials, equipment; maintenance, repair, and alteration of real and personal property; and purchase, hire, maintenance, and operation of other than administrative aircraft necessary for the conduct and support of aeronautical and space research and development activities of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, $3,925,000,000, to remain available until expended.

CONSTRUCTION OF FACILITIES

For advance planning, design, and construction of facilities for the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, and for the acquisition or condemnation of real property, as authorized by law, $35,900,000, to remain available until expended.

ADMINISTRATIVE OPERATIONS

For necessary expenses of operation of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, not otherwise provided for, including uniforms or allowances therefor, as authorized by law (5 U.S.C. 5901; 80 Stat. 299); minor construction; supplies, materials, services, and equipment; awards; purchase of not to exceed three and hire, maintenance and operation of administrative aircraft; purchase and hire of motor vehicles (including purchase of not to exceed twenty-three passenger motor vehicles, for replacement only); and maintenance, repair, and alteration of real and personal property; $628,000,000: *Provided*, That contracts may be entered into under this appropriation for maintenance and operation of facilities, and for other services, to be provided during the next fiscal year.

80 Stat. 508; *Ante*, p. 206.

GENERAL PROVISIONS

Not to exceed 5 per centum of any appropriation made available to the National Aeronautics and Space Administration by this Act may be transferred to any other such appropriation.

Transfer of appropriations.

Not to exceed $35,000 of the appropriation "Administrative Operations" in this Act for the National Aeronautics and Space Administration shall be available for scientific consultations or extraordinary expense, to be expended upon the approval or authority of the Administrator and his determination shall be final and conclusive.

Scientific consultations, extraordinary expenses.

Appropriations contained in this Act shall be subject to the general provisions contained in titles I and III of the Independent Offices and Department of Housing and Urban Development Appropriation Act, 1968.

Ante, pp. 341, 360.

This Act may be cited as the "National Aeronautics and Space Administration Appropriation Act, 1968".

Short title.

Approved November 8, 1967.