An Act

To authorize appropriations during fiscal year 1978, in addition to amounts previously authorized, for procurement of aircraft and missiles for the Navy and the Air Force and for research, development, test, and evaluation for the Air Force and the Defense agencies, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That this Act may be cited as the "Department of Defense Supplemental Appropriation Authorization Act, 1978".

TITLE I—PROCUREMENT

SEC. 101. In addition to the funds authorized to be appropriated under title I of the Department of Defense Appropriation Authorization Act, 1978, funds are hereby authorized to be appropriated during fiscal year 1978 for the use of the Navy and the Air Force for procurement of aircraft and missiles, as authorized by law, in amounts as follows:

(1) For aircraft: for the Navy, $73,900,000; for the Air Force, $33,000,000.
(2) For missiles: for the Air Force, $64,000,000.

TITLE II—RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT, TEST, AND EVALUATION

SEC. 201. In addition to the funds authorized to be appropriated under title II of the Department of Defense Appropriation Authorization Act, 1978, funds are hereby authorized to be appropriated during fiscal year 1978 for the use of the Air Force and the Defense agencies for research, development, test, and evaluation, as authorized by law, in amounts as follows:

(1) For the Air Force, $290,500,000, of which $15,000,000 is authorized for the study of wide-bodied aircraft as strategic cruise missile carriers.
(2) For the Defense agencies, $15,000,000.

SEC. 202. (a) Section 202(a)(2) of the Department of Defense Appropriation Authorization Act, 1978 (Public Law 95–79), is amended by striking out "before January 1, 1980" and inserting in lieu thereof "not later than July 1, 1981".
(b) The amendment made by subsection (a) shall take effect October 1, 1977.
Sec. 203. In authorizing funds under this Act, Congress asserts its readiness to consider, in accordance with the processes set forth in the Congressional Budget and Impoundment Control Act of 1974 and the Budget and Accounting Act, 1921, such modifications in the United States cruise missile programs as the President may recommend to facilitate either negotiation or agreement in arms limitation or reduction talks.

Approved November 15, 1977.

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY:

HOUSE REPORTS: No. 95-614 accompanying H.R. 8390 (Comm. on Armed Services), and No. 95-777 (Comm. of Conference).

SENATE REPORT No. 95-455 (Comm. on Armed Services).

- Oct. 7, considered and passed Senate.
- Oct. 12, considered and passed House, amended, in lieu of H.R. 8390.
- Oct. 2, House agreed to conference report.
- Oct. 3, Senate agreed to conference report.