

able to the fund. Such investments may be made only in interest-bearing obligations of the United States or in obligations guaranteed as to both principal and interest by the United States. The interest on, and the proceeds from the sale or redemption of, any obligations held in the fund shall be credited to and form a part of the fund and shall remain available without fiscal year limitation.

**(c) Authorization of appropriations**

For each fiscal year, there is authorized to be appropriated from the fund for the operations of the International Center for Middle Eastern-Western Dialogue the total amount of the interest and earnings credited to the fund under subsection (b).

**(d) Authorization of additional appropriations**

There are authorized to be appropriated to the International Center for Middle Eastern-Western Dialogue Trust Fund, without fiscal year limitation, such sums as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of this section and to provide for the permanent endowment for the International Center for Middle Eastern-Western Dialogue established under this section.

**(e) Ownership of Center location**

The United States, through the Department of State, shall retain ownership of the Palazzo Corpi building in Istanbul, Turkey, and the Secretary of State shall be responsible for maintaining the International Center for Middle Eastern-Western Dialogue at such location.

(Pub. L. 108-199, div. B, title VI, §633, Jan. 23, 2004, 118 Stat. 100.)

**Editorial Notes**

**CODIFICATION**

Section is comprised of section 633 of div. B of Pub. L. 108-199. Subsec. (f) of section 633 of div. B of Pub. L. 108-199 amended section 1321(a) of Title 31, Money and Finance.

**CHAPTER 29A—INTER-AMERICAN CULTURAL AND TRADE CENTER**

Sec.	
2081.	United States participation in Inter-American Cultural and Trade Center; purposes of Interama.
2082.	Participation in Interama by States and foreign countries.
2083.	Commissioner for Interama; procurement and appointment of personnel; powers and duties.
2084.	Cooperation of other Federal departments, agencies, and instrumentalities.
2085.	Authorization of appropriations.

**§ 2081. United States participation in Inter-American Cultural and Trade Center; purposes of Interama**

The President is authorized, through such department or agency in the executive branch of the Government as he may designate, to provide for United States participation in the Inter-American Cultural and Trade Center (hereinafter in this chapter referred to as "Interama"). In providing for United States participation, the President shall cooperate with the Inter-American Center Authority (an agency of the State of Florida). The purposes of Interama are—

(1) to provide a permanent international center which will serve as a meeting ground for the governments and industries of the Western Hemisphere and of other areas of the world;

(2) to facilitate broad and continuous exchanges of ideas, persons, and products through cultural, educational, and other exchanges; and

(3) by other appropriate means, to promote mutual understanding between the peoples of the Western Hemisphere and to strengthen the ties which unite the United States with other nations of the free world.

(Pub. L. 89-355, §1, Feb. 19, 1966, 80 Stat. 5.)

**§ 2082. Participation in Interama by States and foreign countries**

The President is authorized, by proclamation or in such other manner as he may deem proper, to invite the several States of the United States and foreign countries to take part in Interama, except that no Communist de facto government holding any people in subjugation shall be invited to participate.

(Pub. L. 89-355, §2(a), Feb. 19, 1966, 80 Stat. 6.)

**Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries**

**REPORT TO CONGRESS BY MAY 15, 1966**

Pub. L. 89-355, §2(b), Feb. 19, 1966, 80 Stat. 6, provided that the department or agency, designated by the President pursuant to section 2081 of this title, submit a report to the Senate Committees on Foreign Relations and Appropriations and the Speaker of the House, on the proposed nature, extent and cost of United States participation in Interama and of the extent of participation of foreign countries and private industries.

**§ 2083. Commissioner for Interama; procurement and appointment of personnel; powers and duties**

(a) There shall be in the designated department or agency a Commissioner for Interama who shall be appointed by the President. Subject to the direction of the head of the designated department or agency, the Commissioner for Interama shall perform such duties as the President may prescribe to carry out this chapter.

(b) In order to carry out the provisions of this chapter, the head of the designated department or agency is authorized—

(1) to appoint and fix the compensation of such persons as he deems necessary without regard to the civil service laws and chapter 51 and subchapter III of chapter 53 of title 5; except that no person so appointed shall receive compensation at a rate in excess of that received by persons under chapter 51 and subchapter III of chapter 53 of title 5 for the performance of comparable duties;

(2) to procure temporary and intermittent services in accordance with the provisions of section 3109 of title 5;

(3) to enter into contracts;

(4) to select, purchase, rent, construct, or otherwise acquire exhibits, including materials and equipment therefor, and to provide for the transportation, insurance, display, maintenance, and dismantling thereof;