

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

March 16, 2000

The Speaker of the

House of Representatives

Sir:

In accordance with provisions of P.L. 106-31, the 1999 Emergency Supplemental Appropriations Act, I hereby request the following:

Department of Defense

- Military Construction, Military Construction Transfer Fund: \$202,710,000

These resources will be used to fund construction projects in Europe, Turkey, and Korea.

I hereby designate the above request pursuant to section 251(b)(2)(A) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985, as amended.

The details of this action, including a list of the construction projects for which the funding will be used, are set forth in the enclosed letter from the Director of the Office of Management and Budget. I concur with his comments and observations.

Sincerely,

Handwritten signature of William J. Clinton in black ink.

Enclosure



THE DIRECTOR

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20503

March 16, 2000

The President

The White House

Submitted for your consideration is a request to make available \$202.7 million in previously appropriated contingent emergency funds for the Department of Defense (DOD).

P.L. 106-31, the 1999 Supplemental Appropriations Act, provided \$475.0 million in funding for the Military Construction Transfer Fund, contingent upon the President submitting a budget request to the Congress and designating the entire amount requested under section 251(b)(2)(A) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985, as amended. The funds were provided for expenses incurred by the United States military forces in support of overseas operations and available for transfer only to military construction accounts. This funding was part of a larger sum mostly to meet expenses arising out of the Kosovo conflict.

On September 21, 1999, you made available \$272.3 million for construction projects in Europe. These projects had originally been requested in the FY 2000 Budget but were not funded in the FY 2000 Military Construction Appropriations Act. The projects proposed for funding now were nominated by our overseas commands to improve the readiness of U.S. forces stationed abroad. Projects for Korea were added after consultation with the House and Senate Military Construction Appropriations Subcommittees.

This proposal would make available the remaining funding provided to the Military Construction Transfer Fund by P.L. 106-31. The funds would be transferred to Military Construction accounts of the Army, Navy, and Air Force for projects in Europe, Turkey, and Korea, as follows:

- \$92.8 million would be for construction projects in Germany:
 - Army Vehicle Maintenance Shop, 4-27 Field Artillery Battalion, Baumholder, \$12.9 million;


- Army Vehicle Maintenance Shop, 94 Field Artillery Battalion Baumholder, \$12.3 million;
 - Army Vehicle Maintenance Shop, Schweinfurt, \$12.4 million;
 - Army Vehicle Maintenance Shop, Kaiserslautern, \$9.8 million;
 - Army Multipurpose Range Complex, Grafenwoehr, \$24.0 million;
 - Air Force Air Control Squadron Maintenance and Support Facilities, Spangdahlem, \$16.0 million; and,
 - Air Force Contingency Response Group Complex, Ramstein, \$5.4 million.
- \$35.1 million would be for construction projects in the United Kingdom:
 - Air Force Squadron Operations/Air Maintenance Unit Facility, RAF Lakenheath, \$19.8 million; and,
 - Air Force Control Tower/Base Operations Complex/Crash Rescue Facility, RAF Mildenhall, \$15.3 million.
- \$26.0 million would be for construction projects in Italy:
 - Navy Base Level Communication Facility, Sigonella, \$5.0 million; and,
 - Navy General Warehouse Facility, Sigonella, \$21.0 million.
- \$5.2 million would be for construction projects in Portugal and Turkey:
 - Air Force Field Apron Security Lighting, Lajes, Portugal, \$1.8 million; and,
 - Air Force Protection Perimeter Improvement, Incirlik, Turkey, \$3.4 million.
- \$33.75 million would be for construction projects in Korea:
 - Air Force Munitions Pre-load Storage Igloos, Kunsan, \$12.4 million;
 - Air Force Aerospace Ground Equipment Maintenance Facility, Kunsan, \$4.2 million;
 - Air Force Munitions Control/Administration Facility, Kunsan, \$2.1 million;
 - Air Force Fire Station, Osan, \$6.0 million;
 - Army Upgrade Sewer System, Camp Casey, \$2.9 million;
 - Army Upgrade Water System, Camp Page, \$4.25 million; and,
 - Army Child Development Center, Camp Carroll, \$1.9 million.

In addition, \$9.86 million would be for unspecified minor construction projects at various overseas Army installations.

In total, this request would make \$202.7 million available to the Military Construction Transfer Fund. In accordance with provisions of P.L. 106-31, the funds will be transferred to the DOD accounts listed on the enclosure. I recommend that you designate the entire amount requested in accordance with section 251(b)(2)(A) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985, as amended. No further congressional action will be required.

I have carefully reviewed this proposal and am satisfied that it is necessary at this time. Therefore, I join the Secretary of Defense in recommending that you make the requested funds available by signing the enclosed letter to the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jacob J. Lew". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Jacob J. Lew
Director

Enclosure

**EMERGENCY APPROPRIATIONS: AMOUNTS PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED
MADE AVAILABLE BY THE PRESIDENT**

Department of Defense

Military Construction:

Military Construction Transfer Fund \$202,710,000

These funds will be transferred to the following accounts:

Military Construction:

Military Construction, Army \$90,310,000
Military Construction, Navy \$26,000,000
Military Construction, Air Force \$86,400,000

P.L. 106-31, the 1999 Emergency Supplemental Appropriations Act, provided \$475.0 million in contingent emergency funding to the Department of Defense's Military Construction Transfer Fund, contingent upon the President submitting a budget request to the Congress and designating the entire amount requested pursuant to Section 251(b)(2)(A) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985, as amended. The funds were provided for expenses incurred by U.S. military forces in support of overseas operations. On September 21, 1999, \$272.3 million of these funds were made available for construction projects in Europe.

At this time, the remaining \$202.7 million is required for military construction projects in Europe, Turkey, and Korea. In accordance with provisions of P.L. 106-31, the funds will be transferred to the Military Construction accounts listed above.