THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

December 17, 2002

Dear Mr. Speaker:

In accordance with provisions of Public Law 107-42, the Air Transportation Safety and System Stabilization Act, 2001, I hereby request the subsidy budget authority necessary to support a \$45 million Federal credit instrument for Aloha Airlines, Inc.

I hereby designate this subsidy budget authority, currently estimated at \$14 million, as an emergency requirement pursuant to section 252(e) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985.

The details of this request 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,

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The Honorable J. Dennis Hastert Speaker of the House of Representatives Washington, D.C. 20515

Enclosure



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

December 17, 2002

The President

The White House

Submitted for your consideration is a request to make available contingent emergency funds for the Department of the Treasury's Air Transportation Stabilization Program account.

Title I of P.L. 107-42, the Air Transportation Safety and System Stabilization Act, 2001, authorized the Government to issue up to \$10.0 billion in Federal credit instruments and provided the subsidy budget authority necessary for air carriers to promote a viable commercial air system in light of the September 11th terrorist attacks. Congress designated the amount of new budget authority and outlays in all fiscal years resulting from this title as an emergency requirement. To date, you have designated and made available \$188.2 million in subsidy budget authority.

I recommend that you designate this request for such sums of subsidy budget authority as may be necessary for a \$40.5 million Federal loan guarantee to Aloha Airlines, Inc., as an emergency requirement in accordance with section 252(e) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985, as amended. The current estimate of the associated subsidy budget authority is \$14.0 million. This action is necessary to account for the proposed extension of Federal guarantees as a consequence of the Air Transportation Stabilization Board's conditional approval of Aloha Airlines, Inc.'s application on November 4, 2002, and Aloha Airlines, Inc.'s subsequent acquisition of loan financing supported by that Federal guarantee. No further congressional action will be required. We will notify Congress of the final subsidy estimate when it becomes available.

I have carefully reviewed this proposal and am satisfied that it is necessary at this time. Therefore, I recommend that you transmit the request to the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sincerely,

Mitchell E. Daniels, Jr.

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AMOUNTS MADE AVAILABLE BY THE PRESIDENT PURSUANT TO TITLE I OF P.L. 107-42, THE AIR TRANSPORTATION SAFETY AND SYSTEM STABILIZATION ACT, 2001

Department of the Treasury

Departmental Offices
Air Transportation Stabilization Program Account:
such sums as may be necessary, currently estimated at \$14,000,000

Title I of P.L. 107-42, the Air Transportation Safety and System Stabilization Act, 2001, authorized \$10.0 billion in Federal credit instruments and the necessary subsidy budget authority and associated outlays. To date, the President has designated a total of \$188.2 million as emergency requirements.

The Air Transportation Safety Board conditionally approved Aloha Airlines, Inc.'s application on November 4, 2002, and Aloha Airlines subsequently acquired loan financing supported by a Federal guarantee. The current estimate of the required subsidy to support the \$45.0 million loan backed by a \$40.5 million Federal guarantee to Aloha Airlines, Inc. is \$14.0 million and has been designated by the President as an emergency requirement.