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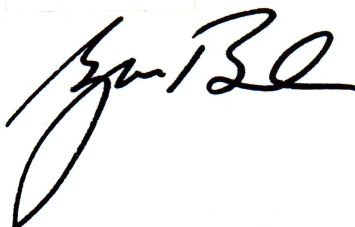
Dear Mr. Speaker:

I ask the Congress to consider the enclosed requests for FY 2003 budget amendments for the Departments of Commerce, Defense, Labor, Transportation, and the Treasury; the Environmental Protection Agency; and the Federal Emergency Management Agency. The discretionary budget authority proposed in my FY 2003 Budget would not be increased by these requests. However, the total budgetary resources available to the Department of Transportation would increase by \$596 million.

This transmittal also contains FY 2003 budget amendments for the Legislative Branch. As a matter of comity, appropriations requests of the Legislative Branch are transmitted without change. These additional amendments would increase discretionary resources for the Legislative Branch by \$40.4 million.

The details of these requests 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



THE DIRECTOR

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

March 14, 2002

The President

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Submitted for your consideration are requests for FY 2003 technical budget amendments for the Departments of Commerce, Defense, Labor, Transportation, and the Treasury; the Environmental Protection Agency; and the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). The discretionary budget authority proposed in your FY 2003 Budget would not be increased by these amendments. However, the total budgetary resources available to the Department of Transportation would increase by \$596 million.

As described below and in more detail in the enclosures, the amendments include the following:

Department of Transportation

- An increase in the obligation limitation of the Federal Highway Administration at \$596 million. A mathematical error in the calculation of the amount of highway-related receipts credited to the highway account at the time the budget was prepared resulted in an incorrect level of highway funding in the budget.

FEMA

- Language clarifying that the Department of Justice's Office of Domestic Preparedness is proposed to be transferred entirely to FEMA and merged into the new First Responder Initiative.

Other FY 2003 Amendments

Several other technical amendments to your FY 2003 Budget are included in this transmittal for the Departments of Commerce, Defense, Labor, and the Treasury, as well as the Environmental Protection Agency.

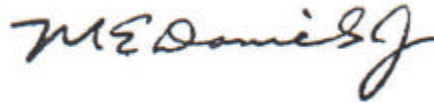
I have carefully reviewed these proposals and am satisfied that they are necessary at this time. Therefore, I join the heads of the affected Departments and agencies in recommending that you transmit the proposals to Congress.

Legislative Branch

Also included in this transmittal are amendments to your FY 2003 Budget for the Legislative Branch. As required by law and in a spirit of comity, appropriations requests of the Legislative Branch are submitted without change.

These amendments for the Legislative Branch would add discretionary resources to your FY 2003 Budget by \$40.4 million.

Sincerely,

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Mitchell E. Daniels, Jr.
Director

Enclosures

Agency: DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Bureau: NATIONAL OCEANIC AND ATMOSPHERIC
ADMINISTRATION

Heading: Operations, Research, and Facilities

FY 2003 Budget
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FY 2002
Pending Request: \$2,281,118,540

Proposed Amendment: Language

Revised Request: \$2,281,118,540

(In the appropriations language under the above heading in the last proviso, delete "of the amounts provided, \$3,000,000", and substitute , in addition, \$3,000,000.)

This proposal would amend the pending appropriations language to reflect correctly the policy proposed in the FY 2003 Budget. Specifically, the amendment clarifies that the funds to be transferred from the Coastal Zone Management Fund are in addition to the base discretionary funds.

This amendment would not affect the proposed budget totals.

Agency: DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE
Bureau: OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE
Heading: Overseas Contingency Operations Transfer Fund
FY 2003 Budget
Appendix Page: 270
FY 2003
Pending Request: \$52,632,000
Proposed Amendment: -\$2,632,000
Revised Request: \$50,000,000

(In the appropriations language under the above heading, delete the brackets on either side of "\$50,000,000" and delete \$52,632,000.)

This proposal would decrease the pending request, by \$2.6 million, for the Overseas Contingency Operations Transfer Fund. This change is necessary to provide an accurate description of the Administration's policy for this program.

This amendment would decrease FY 2003 outlays by \$0.5 million.

Agency: DEPARTMENT OF LABOR
Bureau: EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING ADMINISTRATION
Heading: Advances to the Unemployment Trust Fund and Other Funds
FY 2003 Budget Appendix Page: 662
FY 2003 Request: \$466,000,000
Proposed Amendment: -\$3,000,000
Revised Request: \$463,000,000

This proposal would amend the pending appropriations language to reflect correctly the policy proposed in the FY 2003 Budget. The proposal ties the request to the amount of new borrowing by the Black Lung Disability Trust Fund.

The amendment would not affect the proposed budget totals.

Agency: DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
Bureau: FEDERAL HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION
Heading: Federal-Aid Highways (Limitation on Obligations)
FY 2003 Budget
Appendix Page: 744
FY 2003 Pending
Request: \$22,608,787,000 (Limitation)
Proposed Amendment: \$596,000,000
Revised Request: \$23,204,787,000

This amendment would increase the Federal-Aid Highway limitation on obligations by \$596.0 million. A mathematical error in the amount of tax revenue credited to the highway account of the Highway Trust Fund resulted in an incorrect level of funding for the Federal-Aid Highway account in the FY 2003 Budget.

This proposal would increase FY 2003 outlays by \$161 million.

Agency: DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY
Bureau: DEPARTMENTAL OFFICES
Heading: Air Transportation Stabilization Program Account
FY 2003 Budget
Appendix Page: 806
FY 2003
Pending Request: ----
Proposed Amendment: \$6,041,000
Revised Request: \$6,041,000

(Insert the following appropriations language immediately under the above heading:)

For necessary expenses to administer the Air Transportation Stabilization Board established by section 102 of the Air Transportation Safety and System Stabilization Act (Public Law 107-42), \$6,041,000, to remain available until expended.

This proposal is necessary to reflect correctly the policy proposed in the FY 2003 Budget. Proposed appropriations language for this account was inadvertently omitted in the FY 2003 Budget Appendix.

This amendment would not affect the proposed budget totals.

Agency: DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY
Bureau: DEPARTMENTAL OFFICES
Heading: Community Development Financial Institutions
Fund Program Account
FY 2003 Budget
Appendix Page: 807
FY 2003
Pending Request: \$68,255,000
Proposed Amendment: Language
Revised Request: \$68,255,000

(In the appropriations language under the above heading, delete "\$5,000,000 shall be for technical assistance and training programs designed to benefit Native American, Native Hawaiian, and Alaskan Native Communities, and"; delete "\$9,850,000" and substitute \$11,005,000; and delete "\$1,000,000" and substitute \$250,000.)

The amendment is necessary to reflect the policy proposed in the FY 2003 Budget. Proposed administrative expenses should be \$11.0 million instead of \$9.9 million and costs to administer direct loans should be \$250,000 rather than \$1.0 million. In addition, a FY 2002 earmark of \$5.0 million for Native American communities should have been marked for deletion.

This amendment would not affect the proposed budget totals.

Agency: DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY
Bureau: BUREAU OF ALCOHOL, TOBACCO AND FIREARMS
Heading: Salaries and Expenses
FY 2003 Budget
Appendix Page: 820
FY 2003
Pending Request: \$913,114,000
Proposed Amendment: Language
Revised Request: \$913,114,000

(In the appropriations language under the above heading, before "which \$13,000,000" delete ", and [of" and substitute ;of; add an open bracket before ": Provided, That no funds made available by this or any other Act"; and insert ;and before "of which \$3,200,000 for new headquarters shall remain available" .)

The amendment is necessary to reflect correctly the policy proposed in the FY 2003 Budget. The appropriation for the Gang Resistance Education and Training program was inadvertently marked for deletion in the FY 2003 Budget Appendix.

The amendment would not affect the proposed budget totals.

Agency: ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

Heading: State and Tribal Assistance Grants

FY 2003 Budget
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FY 2003
Pending Request: \$3,463,776,000

Proposed Amendment: Language

Revised Request: \$3,463,776,000

(In the appropriations language under the above heading, delete "\$1,250,000,000" and substitute \$1,212,000,000; and delete "\$1,120,276,000" and substitute \$1,158,276,000.)

This amendment is necessary to reflect correctly the FY 2003 Budget policy concerning the allocation of funds within the account for the Clean Water State Revolving Fund and programmatic State grants.

This amendment would not affect the proposed budget totals.

Agency: FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY

Heading: Emergency Management Planning and Assistance

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FY 2002
Pending Request: \$3,747,285,000

Proposed Amendment: Language

Revised Request: \$3,747,285,000

(In the appropriations language under the above heading, insert the following before the period following 75% ": Provided further, That, the functions authorized under section 819 of the Antiterrorism and Effective Death Penalty Act of 1996 and section 1014 of P.L. 107-56, as well as such unexpended balances of appropriations, full-time equivalent personnel, property, and records as have been assigned to the Department of Justice, shall be transferred to the Federal Emergency Management Agency: Provided further, That such transfers are made pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 1531.")

This amendment is necessary to support the policy proposed in the FY 2003 Budget. Specifically, this proposal clarifies that the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) will assume the first responder training, grant making, and exercise functions of the Department of Justice's Office of Domestic Preparedness (ODP). In addition, it clarifies that FEMA will honor existing obligations of the ODP.

The amendment would not affect the proposed budget totals.

Agency:	LEGISLATIVE BRANCH
Bureau:	SENATE
Heading:	Salaries, Officers and Employees
FY 2003 Budget Appendix Page:	17
FY 2003 Pending Request:	\$119,671,000
Proposed Amendment:	\$4,473,000
Revised Request:	\$124,144,000
Heading:	Salaries, Officers and Employees, Agency Contributions and Related Expenses
FY 2003 Budget Appendix Page:	17
FY 2003 Pending Request:	\$30,075,000
Proposed Amendment:	\$4,473,000
Revised Request:	\$34,548,000

This proposal would increase the pending request by \$4,473,000, for Salaries, Officers and Employees of the Senate, as well as the subaccount Agency Contributions and Related Expenses. FY 2003 outlays would increase by the same amount.

Agency: LEGISLATIVE BRANCH
Bureau: SENATE
Heading: Contingent Expenses of the Senate, Sergeant at Arms and
Doorkeeper of the Senate
FY 2003 Budget
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FY 2003
Pending Request: \$117,133,000
Proposed Amendment: Language
Revised Request: \$117,133,000

(In the appropriations language under the above heading, delete "\$7,650,000" and substitute \$13,574,000.)

This proposal would increase no-year funding by \$5,924,000, and would not affect the proposed budget totals.

Agency: LEGISLATIVE BRANCH
Bureau: SENATE
Heading: Office of the Legislative Counsel of the Senate
FY 2003 Budget
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FY 2003
Pending Request: \$4,581,000
Proposed Amendment: \$281,000
Revised Request: \$4,862,000

This proposal would increase, by \$281,000, the pending request for salaries and expenses for the Office of the Legislative Counsel of the Senate. FY 2003 outlays would increase by the same amount.

Agency: LEGISLATIVE BRANCH
Bureau: SENATE
Heading: Office of Senate Legal Counsel
FY 2003 Budget
Appendix Page: 17
FY 2003
Pending Request: \$1,176,000
Proposed Amendment: \$45,000
Revised Request: \$1,221,000

This proposal would increase the pending request, by \$45,000, for salaries and expenses for the Office of Senate Legal Counsel. FY 2003 outlays would increase by the same amount.

Agency: LEGISLATIVE BRANCH
Bureau: SENATE
Heading: Contingent Expenses of the Senate, Inquiries and Investigations
FY 2003 Budget
Appendix Page: 17
FY 2003
Pending Request: \$107,383,000
Proposed Amendment: \$4,015,000
Revised Request: \$111,398,000

This proposal would increase the pending request by \$4,015,000. FY 2003 outlays would increase by the same amount.

Agency: LEGISLATIVE BRANCH
Bureau: SENATE
Heading: Contingent Expenses of the Senate, Miscellaneous Items
FY 2003 Budget
Appendix Page: 17
FY 2003
Pending Request: \$18,409,000
Proposed Amendment: \$105,000
Revised Request: \$18,514,000

This proposal would increase the pending request, by \$105,000, for expenses for Miscellaneous Items of the Senate. FY 2003 outlays would increase by the same amount.

Agency: LEGISLATIVE BRANCH

Bureau: SENATE

Heading: Contingent Expenses of the Senate, Senators' Official Personnel
and Office Expense Account

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FY 2003
Pending Request: \$303,538,000

Proposed Amendment: \$14,510,000

Revised Request: \$318,048,000

This proposal would increase the pending request, by \$14,510,000, for salaries and expenses for Senator's Official Personnel and Office Expense Account. FY 2003 outlays would increase by the same amount.

Agency: LEGISLATIVE BRANCH
Bureau: HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Heading: Salaries and Expenses
FY 2003 Budget
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FY 2003
Pending Request: \$986,505,000
Proposed Amendment: \$84,000
Revised Request: \$986,589,000
Heading: Allowances and Expenses
FY 2003 Budget
Appendix Page: 21
FY 2003
Pending Request: \$213,235,000
Proposed Amendment: \$84,000
Revised Request: \$213,319,000

(In the appropriations language under the above heading on page 21, delete "\$213,235,000" and substitute \$213,319,000, and delete "\$208,751,000" and substitute \$208,835,000.)

This proposal would increase the pending request, by \$84,000, for Salaries and Expenses of the House of Representatives, as well as the subaccount Allowance and Expenses, for the cost of the Department of Labor administrative surcharge for workers' compensation.

This amendment would increase FY 2003 outlays by \$84,000.

Agency:	LEGISLATIVE BRANCH
Bureau:	JOINT ITEMS
Heading:	Joint Economic Committee
FY 2003 Budget Appendix Page:	22
FY 2003 Pending Request:	\$3,657,645
Proposed Amendment:	\$155,000
Revised Request:	\$3,812,645

This proposal would increase the pending request, by \$155,000, for salaries and expenses for the Joint Economic Committee. FY 2003 outlays would increase by the same amount.

Agency: LEGISLATIVE BRANCH
Bureau: JOINT ITEMS
Heading: Capitol Police Board, Capitol Police, Salaries
FY 2003 Budget Appendix Page: 23
FY 2003 Pending Request: \$176,000,000
Proposed Amendment: \$16,305,000
Revised Request: \$192,305,000

(In the appropriations language under the above heading, delete "\$176,000,000" through "Secretary of the Senate" and substitute \$192,305,000, to be disbursed by the Capitol Police Board or their delegee; and in the proviso delete "the Sergeant at Arms of the House of Representatives and the Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper of the Senate" and substitute Capitol Police Salaries and Capitol Police General Expenses.)

This proposal would increase funding, by a total of \$16,305,000, for Capitol Police salaries, of which \$16,200,000 provides funding for additional United States Capitol Police Force personnel, and \$105,000 provides funding for the cost of Department of Labor administrative surcharge for workers' compensation.

This amendment would increase FY 2003 outlays by \$16.3 million.

Agency: LEGISLATIVE BRANCH
Bureau: JOINT ITEMS
Heading: Capitol Guide Service and Special Services Office
FY 2003 Budget
Appendix Page: 25
FY 2003
Pending Request: \$3,034,500
Proposed Amendment: \$168,000
Revised Request: \$3,202,500

This proposal would increase the pending request, by \$168,000, for salaries and expenses for the Capitol Guide Service and Special Services Office. FY 2003 outlays would increase by the same amount.

Agency: LEGISLATIVE BRANCH
Bureau: OTHER LEGISLATIVE BRANCH AGENCIES
Heading: Medicare Payment Advisory Commission, Salaries and Expenses
FY 2003 Budget Appendix Page: 47
FY 2003 Pending Request: \$8,250,000
Proposed Amendment: \$250,000
Revised Request: \$8,500,000

This proposal would increase funding, by \$250,000, for the Medicare Payment Advisory Commission. FY 2003 outlays would increase by the same amount.