THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

December 16, 1999

The Speaker of the

House of Representatives

Sir:

As directed by P.L. 106-79, the Department of Defense Appropriations Act, 2000, and in accordance with provisions of P.L. 105-277, the Omnibus Consolidated and Emergency Supplemental Appropriations Act, 1999, I hereby request the following:

Department of Defense

• Research, Development, Test, and Evaluation -- Research, development, test, and evaluation, Defense-wide: \$230,000,000

These funds will support our national and theater missile defense development efforts.

I hereby designate the above request as an emergency requirement 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 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,

William J. Churon

Enclosure



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

December 16, 1999

The President

The White House

Submitted for your consideration is a request to make available \$230.0 million in previously appropriated emergency funds for the Department of Defense.

P.L. 105-277, the Omnibus Consolidated and Emergency Supplemental Appropriations Act, 1999, provided \$1.0 billion in emergency funding for efforts in support of ballistic missile defense systems, contingent upon the President submitting a budget request to the Congress and designating the entire amount requested as an emergency requirement. On February 1, 1999, you released \$770.0 million to support critical missile defense development efforts.

P.L. 106-79, the Department of Defense Appropriations Act, 2000, directed the Administration to allocate the remaining \$230.0 million to the following emergency activities:

- \$117.0 million for development of a national missile defense system;
- \$75.0 million for development of the Patriot Advanced Capability-3 system; and,
- \$38.0 million for development of the Theater High Altitude Area Defense System.

I recommend that you designate the \$230.0 million requested as an emergency requirement 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,

Jacob J. Lew

Director

Enclosure

EMERGENCY APPROPRIATIONS: AMOUNTS PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED MADE AVAILABLE BY THE PRESIDENT

Department of Defense

Research, Development, Test, and Evaluation:

Research, development, test, and evaluation, Defense-wide \$230,000,000

Division B, Title I, Chapter 1, Section 102 of P.L. 105-277, the Omnibus Consolidated and Emergency Supplemental Appropriations Act, 1999, provided \$1.0 billion in emergency funding to the Department of Defense for missile defense activities, contingent upon the President submitting a budget request to the Congress and designating the entire amount requested as an emergency requirement. To date, \$770.0 million has been designated as an emergency requirement and made available.

P.L. 106-79, the Department of Defense Appropriations Act, 2000, directed that the remaining \$230.0 million be made available for the following critical missile defense projects:

- \$117.0 million for development of a national missile defense system;
- \$75.0 million for development of the Patriot Advanced Capability-3 system; and,
- \$38.0 million for development of the Theater High Altitude Area Defense System.