

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

July 29, 1999

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

C Procurement, Operational Rapid Response Transfer Fund: \$300,000,000

These funds will be used to acquire and replace equipment needed for operations in Kosovo.

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,

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

July 29, 1999

The President

The White House

Submitted for your consideration is a request to make available \$300 million in previously appropriated contingent emergency funds for the Department of Defense (DOD).

P.L. 106-31, the 1999 Emergency Supplemental Appropriations Act, provided \$300 million in emergency funding for the acquisition and replacement of equipment used in the Kosovo operation, contingent upon the President submitting a budget request to the Congress for \$300 million and designating the entire amount as an emergency requirement.

This request would make the \$300 million available to DOD. 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 \$300 million 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,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jacob J. Lew".

Jacob J. Lew
Director

Enclosure

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

Department of Defense

Procurement:

Operational Rapid Response Transfer Fund \$300,000,000

These funds will be transferred to the following accounts:

Operation and Maintenance:

Operation and Maintenance, Army \$15,693,000
Operation and Maintenance, Navy \$ 3,000,000
Operation and Maintenance, Air Force \$3,600,000

Procurement:

Aircraft Procurement, Army \$6,090,000
Procurement of Weapons and Tracked Combat Vehicles, Army \$700,000
Other Procurement, Army \$23,977,000
Aircraft Procurement, Navy \$156,000,000
Aircraft Procurement, Air Force \$52,760,000
Other procurement, Air Force \$12,000,000

Research, Development, Test, and Evaluation:

Research, Development, Test, and Evaluation, Army \$5,000,000
Research, Development, Test, and Evaluation, Air Force \$19,740,000
Research, Development, Test, and Evaluation, Defense-wide \$1,440,000

P.L. 106-31, the 1999 Emergency Supplemental Appropriations Act, provided \$300 million in contingent emergency funding to the Department of Defense's Operational rapid response transfer fund to acquire and replace equipment used in the Kosovo operation, contingent upon the President submitting a budget request to the Congress for \$300 million and designating the entire amount as an emergency requirement.

The \$300 million in contingent emergency funding is now required for the acquisition and replacement of critical equipment used in the Kosovo operation. In accordance with provisions of P.L. 106-31, the funds will be transferred to the Operation and Maintenance, Procurement, and Research, Development, Test, and Evaluation accounts listed above.