



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

August 9, 2019

The Honorable Michael R. Pence
President of the Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Mr. President:

Pursuant to section 255(f) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985, as amended, notification is hereby provided of the President's intent to exempt all military personnel accounts, including Coast Guard military personnel accounts, from any discretionary cap sequestration in FY 2020, if a sequestration is necessary. This exemption does not apply to the Joint Committee sequestration already ordered for FY 2020. This is considered to be in the national interest to safeguard the resources necessary to compensate the men and women serving to defend our Nation and to maintain the force levels required for national security. This action would trigger a higher reduction in non-exempt accounts.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "R. Vought".

Russell T. Vought
Acting Director

Identical Letter Sent to The Honorable Nancy Pelosi