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EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
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AUG 22 1974

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

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Sponsor - Rep. Harsha (R) Ohio

Last Day for Action

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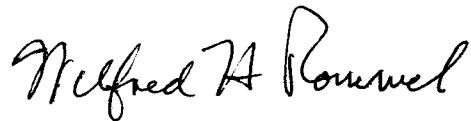
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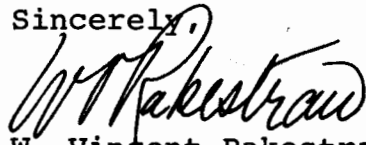
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ENROLLED BILL

SUBJECT: Enrolled Bill H. R. 10044 - Customs
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<u>Name</u>	<u>Approval</u>	<u>Date</u>
<u>Geoff Shepard</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u> </u>
<u>NSC/S</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u> </u>
<u>Phil Buchen</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u> </u>
<u>Bill Timmons</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u> </u>
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Comments:

THE WHITE HOUSE

ACTION MEMORANDUM

WASHINGTON

LOG NO.: 528

Date: August 25, 1974

Time: 9:30 a. m.

FOR ACTION: Geoff Shepard
NSC/S
✓ Phil Buchen
✓ Bill Timmons

cc (for information): Warren K. Hendriks
Jerry Jones

FROM THE STAFF SECRETARY

DUE: Date: Monday, August 26, 1974

Time: 2:00 p. m.

SUBJECT: Enrolled Bill H. R. 10044 - Customs and Immigration
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ACTION REQUESTED:

___ For Necessary Action

XX For Your Recommendations

___ Prepare Agenda and Brief

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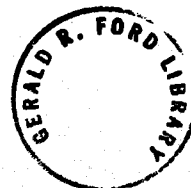
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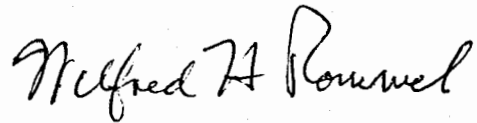
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MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. WARREN HENDRIKS

FROM: WILLIAM E. TIMMONS *P. Am Power*

SUBJECT: Action Memorandum - Log No. 528
Enrolled Bill H. R. 10044 - Customs
and Immigration Facilities

The Office of Legislative Affairs concurs in the attached proposal and has no additional recommendations.

Attachment



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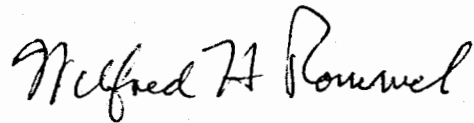
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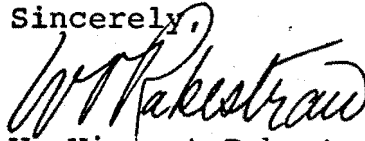
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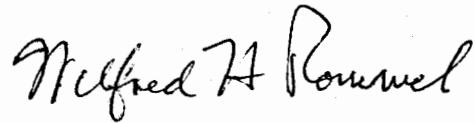
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CUSTOMS AND IMMIGRATION BORDER FACILITIES

DECEMBER 14, 1973.—Committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union and ordered to be printed

Mr. BLATNIK, from the Committee on Public Works,
submitted the following

REPORT

[To accompany H.R. 10044]

The Committee on Public Works, to whom was referred the bill (H.R. 10044) to increase the amount authorized to be expended to provide facilities along the border for the enforcement of the customs and immigration laws, having considered the same, report favorably thereon without amendment and recommend that the bill do pass.

PURPOSE

The purpose of H.R. 10044 is to amend the act entitled "An act to provide better facilities for the enforcement of the customs and immigration laws," approved June 20, 1930, as amended (19 U.S.C. 68) to increase from \$100,000 to \$200,000 the limitation on the amount of funds that may be expended to provide facilities for the enforcement of the customs and immigration laws along our land borders.

BACKGROUND

Under existing law (19 U.S.C. 68) the Secretary of the Treasury and the Attorney General are authorized to expend from the general appropriations of the Bureau of Customs and the Immigration and Naturalization Service such amounts as may be necessary to acquire land and erect buildings, sheds, office quarters, and living facilities which are otherwise unavailable, at points along the Canadian and Mexican borders and in the Virgin Islands, as an aid to the enforcement of the customs and immigration laws, provided that the amount expended on any one project, including the site, does not exceed \$100,000. The Attorney General is authorized to expend not more than \$100,000 for similar purposes in Guam. If a project is intended for the joint use of the Bureau of Customs and the Immigration and Naturalization Service, its combined cost including the site is charged to the

two appropriations concerned. The proposed bill would increase the maximum costs that may be incurred under existing law to \$200,000.

The proposed new ceiling of \$200,000 is needed to meet the increased costs of site acquisition and construction since 1962 when Congress last amended the original act. Border inspection facilities are usually erected in remote areas immediately adjacent to the Mexican and Canadian international boundaries. Costs are influenced by the unusually great distances that men, materials, and resources must be transported to the job site. Often, the contractor is forced to provide either per diem or room and board to his employees. Subcontractors for plumbing, heating, electrical, bricklaying, and carpentry services are reluctant to bid on the projects because of the indeterminate factors caused by the great distances the projects are removed from towns and cities. Extreme weather conditions, particularly along the Canadian border where temperatures reach as low as 40 degrees below zero combined with the long winter season, increase construction time.

In addition to these factors which increase construction costs, a substantial increase in the cost of labor and materials has taken place since the limitation of \$100,000 was authorized in 1962. These rising costs have resulted in a diminution of the purchasing power of the dollar so that the \$100,000 available in 1962 is equivalent to \$58,000 today. Costs for key materials and skilled labor have increased 73 percent since 1962 while costs for key materials and common labor have increased by 91 percent over 1962 levels. These increased costs coupled with new requirements for secondary inspection areas, search rooms, and public facilities have operated to make the \$100,000 limitation unrealistic.

The present customs program for building new facilities and expanding existing facilities must be continued and accelerated if the Customs Service is to continue to efficiently and effectively fulfill its mission of revenue collection and the prevention of smuggling, while at the same time expediting the flow of border traffic. Since 1962, traffic crossing into the United States at the Mexico and Canadian borders has increased by 43 percent. Additionally, the priority anti-narcotic program has resulted in intensified enforcement efforts. Facilities to meet the demands of these efforts are necessary; when facilities are inadequate, enforcement of customs and revenue laws may be prejudiced.

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COST TO THE UNITED STATES

Rule XIII(7) of the Rules of the House of Representatives requires a statement of the estimated costs to the United States which would be incurred in carrying out H.R. 10044, as reported in fiscal year 1974 and each of the following 5 years.

The estimated costs are as follows:

Fiscal year 1974—No additional cost.

Fiscal year 1975—\$160,000.

Fiscal year 1976—\$140,000.

Fiscal year 1977—\$140,000.

Fiscal year 1978—\$100,000.

No projects for construction have as yet been identified by the agencies for fiscal year 1979. Accordingly, the committee is not in a position to make an estimate of the additional costs to the United States for this fiscal year.

VOTE

The committee ordered the bill reported by voice vote.

CHANGES IN EXISTING LAW MADE BY THE BILL, AS REPORTED

In compliance with clause 3 of rule XIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives, changes in existing law made by the bill, as reported, are shown as follows (existing law proposed to be omitted is enclosed in black brackets, new matter is printed in italic, existing law in which no change is proposed is shown in roman) :

ACT OF JUNE 26, 1930

AN ACT To provide better facilities for the enforcement of the customs and immigration laws

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That to aid in the enforcement of the customs and immigration laws along the Canadian and Mexican borders and to provide better facilities for such enforcement at points along such borders at which no Federal or other buildings adapted or suitably located for the purpose are available, and for similar purposes in the Virgin Islands of the United States, the Secretary of the Treasury and the Attorney General are hereby authorized to expend, and for similar purposes in Guam the Attorney General is hereby authorized to expend, from the funds appropriated for the general maintenance and operation of the Customs and the Immigration and Naturalization Services, respectively, the necessary amounts for the acquisition of land and the erection of buildings, sheds, and office quarters, including living quarters for officers where none are otherwise available: *Provided,* That the total amount which may be so expended for any one project, including the site, shall not exceed **[\$100,000]** *\$200,000*, and that where the project is for the joint use of the Customs Service and the Immigration and Naturalization Service, the combined cost of the project, including the site, shall be charged to the two appropriations concerned.

SEC. 2. The Secretary of the Treasury is authorized to expend, from the funds appropriated for the general maintenance and operation of the Customs Service, such amounts as may be necessary for the erection of protective gates across international highways and roads crossing the Canadian and Mexican borders and for the erection of such fences in the immediate vicinity of such highways and roads as may be necessary to prevent unlawful entry or smuggling.

H. R. 10044

Ninety-third Congress of the United States of America

AT THE SECOND SESSION

*Begun and held at the City of Washington on Monday, the twenty-first day of January,
one thousand nine hundred and seventy-four*

An Act

To increase the amount authorized to be expended to provide facilities along the border for the enforcement of the customs and immigration laws.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Act entitled "An Act to provide better facilities for the enforcement of the customs and immigration laws", approved June 26, 1930, as amended (19 U.S.C. 68), is further amended by striking out "\$100,000" and inserting in lieu thereof "\$200,000".

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

*Vice President of the United States and
President of the Senate.*

August 19, 1974

Dear Mr. Director:

The following bills were received at the White House on August 19th:

S. 3066
S. 3190
H.R. 10044
H.R. 15791
H.R. 15936

Please let the President have reports and recommendations as to the approval of these bills as soon as possible.

Sincerely,

Robert D. Linder
Chief Executive Clerk

The Honorable Roy L. Ash
Director
Office of Management and Budget
Washington, D.C.

