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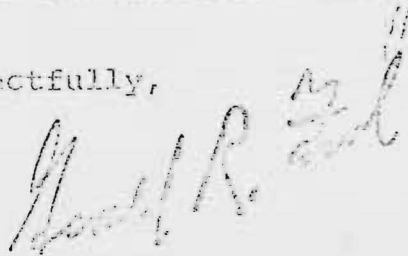
The President Pro Tempore
of the Senate

Sir:

I ask the Congress to consider an amendment to the request for appropriations transmitted in the budget for the fiscal year 1975 in the amount of \$15,671,000 for the Department of Agriculture. The requested appropriation will result in an increase of a like amount in fiscal year 1975 outlays. I will submit further recommendations at a later date to offset this outlay increase.

The details of this proposal are set forth in the enclosed letter from the Director of the Office of Management and Budget with those comments and observations I concur.

Respectfully,



Enclosure

Copy to Speaker of the House
with attachments

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

November 18, 1974

The President

The White House

Sir:

I have the honor to submit for your consideration an amendment to the request for appropriations transmitted in the budget for the fiscal year 1975, involving an increase in the amount of \$15,671,000 for the Department of Agriculture as follows:

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

ANIMAL AND PLANT HEALTH INSPECTION SERVICE

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117	Animal & Plant Health Inspection Service	394,769,000	15,671,000	410,440,000

The proposed budget amendment would provide funds to maintain screwworm and brucellosis eradication programs, and grants to States for meat and poultry inspection at programmed levels.

These additional appropriations are necessary to protect livestock from dangerous diseases and pests, and to continue matching State funds for mandatory meat and poultry inspection programs, thus insuring a high standard of inspection.

The requested appropriation will result in a increase of \$15,671,000 in fiscal year 1975 outlays. Recommendations will be submitted to you later to offset the increased outlays necessitated by this proposal.

I have carefully reviewed the proposal for appropriations contained in this document and I am satisfied that this request is necessary at this time. I recommend, therefore, that this proposal be transmitted to the Congress.

Respectfully,