

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 29, 1976

The Speaker of the  
House of Representatives

Sir:

I ask the Congress to consider proposed supplemental appropriations for the transition quarter in the amount of \$402,000,000 for the Department of Defense-Military.

The details of these proposals are set forth in the enclosed letter from the Director of the Office of Management and Budget. I concur in his comments and observations.

Respectfully,

*Ronald R. Fuld*

Enclosure



EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20503

July 29, 1976

The President

The White House

Sir:

I have the honor to submit for your consideration proposed supplemental appropriations for the transition quarter in the amount of \$402,000,000 for the Department of Defense-Military. The details of these requests are contained in the enclosure to this letter.

I have carefully reviewed these budget requests and I am satisfied that they are necessary at this time. I recommend, therefore, that these proposals be transmitted to the Congress.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "James T. Lynn".

James T. Lynn  
Director

Enclosure

(PROPOSED TRANSITION QUARTER SUPPLEMENTALS:)

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE-MILITARY

OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE

Operation and Maintenance, Navy

For an additional amount for "Operation and maintenance, Navy" for the period July 1, 1976, through September 30, 1976; \$30,846,000.

Operation and Maintenance, Air Force

For an additional amount for "Operation and maintenance, Air Force" for the period July 1, 1976, through September 30, 1976; \$13,290,000.

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION

Military Construction, Navy

For an additional amount for "Military construction, Navy" for the period July 1, 1976, through September 30, 1976, \$77,869,000, to remain available until expended.

Military Construction, Air Force

For an additional amount for "Military construction, Air Force" for the period July 1, 1976, through September 30, 1976, \$26,622,000, to remain available until expended.

## FAMILY HOUSING

### Family Housing, Defense

For an additional amount for "Family housing, Defense" for the period July 1, 1976, through September 30, 1976, \$40,373,000, to be obligated and expended in the Family Housing Management Account established pursuant to section 501(a) of Public Law 87-554, in not to exceed the following amounts:

For the Navy and Marine Corps:

Construction, \$12,250,000;

For the Air Force:

Construction, \$20,121,000;

For Department of Defense:

Operation, maintenance, \$8,002,000;

Provided, That the amounts provided under this head for construction shall remain available until expended.

These requests will finance replacement, repair, and restoration of facilities, equipment, and supplies that were destroyed or damaged by Typhoon Pamela, which struck Guam on May 21, 1976.

## PROCUREMENT

### Shipbuilding and Conversion, Navy

For an additional amount for "Shipbuilding and conversion, Navy" for the period July 1, 1976, through September 30, 1976, for the repair and conversion of the USS Belknap, \$213,000,000, to remain available for obligation until September 30, 1980.

This request will provide funds for the repair and conversion of the USS Belknap, which was badly damaged in a collision in the Mediterranean last fall. Public Law 94-361, approved July 15, 1976, authorizes \$213 million for this purpose in fiscal year 1977. The Department of Defense Appropriation Bill for 1977, as passed by the House of Representatives, also includes \$213 million to be appropriated for this purpose.

This proposal requests that these funds be made available in the transition quarter, rather than in fiscal year 1977, in order that repair and conversion of the USS Belknap may begin at once.