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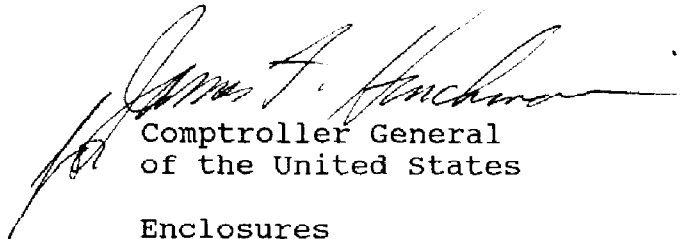
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To the President of the Senate and the
Speaker of the House of Representatives

On October 2, 1989 the President submitted to the Congress his first special impoundment message for fiscal year 1990. This message reports seven deferrals of budget authority. We have reviewed these deferrals and found them to be in accordance with the Impoundment Control Act, 2 U.S.C. § 681, et seq., as amended.

Enclosure I provides specific information on one of the deferrals which we believe will be useful to the Congress in its examination of the message. Enclosure II provides a list of the deferrals as reported by the President.


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Enclosures

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COMMENTS ON THE FIRST SPECIAL MESSAGE

FUNDS APPROPRIATED TO THE PRESIDENT:

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International Security Assistance:
Economic Support Fund
Amount Deferred: \$271,000,000
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The most recent apportionment schedule indicates that the estimated total budgetary resources brought forward from fiscal year 1989 and currently available to the accounts are \$278,305,000, rather than \$271,000,000 as noted in the message.

Furthermore, according to OMB's cumulative report, submitted to the Congress on October 10, 1989, and the latest apportionment schedule for these accounts, \$17,505,000 of the amount reported as deferred has been released. The amount currently deferred is \$260,800,000.