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

On February 19, 1988, the President submitted to the Congress his third special impoundment message for fiscal year 1988. This message reports three new deferrals and revises the amounts of ten deferrals previously reported. We have reviewed these deferrals and found them to be in accordance with the Impoundment Control Act, 2 U.S.C. § 681, as amended.

Enclosure I provides specific information about seven of the deferrals, which we believe may be useful to the Congress in its examination of the message. Enclosure II provides a list of the deferrals as reported by the President.

for 
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Enclosures

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COMMENTS ON THE THIRD SPECIAL MESSAGE

FUNDS APPROPRIATED TO THE PRESIDENT

D88-1A International Security Assistance
Economic support fund
Amount deferred: \$2,000,727,000
118/91037 117/81037

According to the latest apportionment schedule for this account, dated February 23, 1988, \$177.7 million reported in this message as deferred has been released. The amount now deferred is \$1,823,027,000.

D88-21 International Security Assistance
Military assistance
Amount deferred: \$608,186,000
1181080

According to the latest apportionment schedule for this account, dated January 21, 1988, the amount deferred is \$609,186,000, not \$608,186,000 as reported in the message. An Office of Management and Budget official told us that the apportionment schedule shows the correct amount.

D88-22 International Security Assistance
International disaster assistance,
Executive
Amount deferred: \$13,479,449
11X1035

According to the latest apportionment schedule for this account, dated February 22, 1988, \$6.2 million of the amount reported in this message as deferred has been released. The amount currently deferred is \$7,279,449.

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE - MILITARY

D88-7A Military Construction, Defense Agencies,
Navy, Naval Reserve
Amount deferred: \$1,298,748,000
977/10500 178/21205 178/21235

According to the message and OMB's cumulative report, submitted to the Congress on March 7, 1988, \$1,297,848,000

of the amount reported in this message as deferred has been released. The amount deferred is currently \$900,000.

D88-8A Family Housing, Defense
Navy, Air Force
Amount deferred: \$186,955,000
177/10703 578/20704 577/10704

According to the message and OMB's cumulative report, submitted to the Congress on March 7, 1988, \$157,940,000 of the amount reported in this message as deferred has been released. The amount currently deferred is \$29,015,000.

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

D88-16A Power Marketing Administration
Southwestern Power Administration,
Operation and maintenance
Amount deferred: \$13,200,000
89X0303

According to OMB's cumulative report, submitted to the Congress on March 7, 1988, all budget authority in this account reported as deferred has been released. OMB officials have informed us that the cumulative report is in error; \$13,200,000 remains deferred.

D88-17A Power Marketing Administration
Western Area Power Administration,
Construction, rehabilitation,
operation and maintenance
Amount deferred: \$3,200,000
89X5068

According to the message and the latest apportionment schedule for this account, dated February 5, 1988, all budget authority reported as deferred has been released.

CONTENTS OF SPECIAL MESSAGE
as reported by the President
(in thousands of dollars)

ENCLOSURE II

<u>DEFERRAL NO.</u>	<u>ITEM</u>	<u>BUDGET AUTHORITY</u>
Funds Appropriated to the President:		
International Security Assistance:		
D88-20	Foreign military sales credit.....	2,949,000
D88-1A	Economic support fund.....	2,000,727
D88-21	Military assistance.....	608,186
D88-22	International disaster assistance....	13,479
Department of Agriculture:		
Forest Service:		
D88-3A	Expenses, brush disposal.....	130,954
Department of Defense, Military:		
D88-7A	Military construction.....	1,298,748
D88-8A	Family housing.....	186,955
Department of Defense, Civil:		
D88-9A	Wildlife conservation.....	785
Department of Energy:		
Power Marketing Administration:		
D88-16A	Southwestern Power Administration, Operation and maintenance.....	13,200
D88-17A	Western Area Power Administration, Construction, rehabilitation, operation and maintenance.....	3,200
Department of Health and Human Services:		
Office of Assistant Secretary for Health:		
D88-18A	Scientific activities overseas (special foreign currency).....	2,960
Social Security Administration:		
D88-10A	Limitation on administrative expenses (construction).....	6,207
Department of Transportation:		
Federal Aviation Administration:		
D88-12A	Facilities and equipment (Airport and airway trust fund).....	1,329,907
Total, deferrals.....		8,544,309