

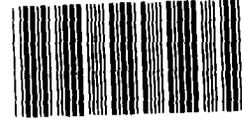
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To the President of the Senate and the
Speaker of the House of Representatives

On October 1, 1987, the President submitted to the Congress the first special impoundment message for fiscal year 1988. This message reports 13 deferrals. We have reviewed these deferrals and found them to be in accordance with the Impoundment Control Act, 2 U.S.C. § 681, as amended by Public Law 100-119, September 29, 1987.

Enclosure I provides specific information about 2 deferrals which we believe may be useful to the Congress in its examination of this message. Enclosure II lists all of the impoundments reported by the President in this message.

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Acting Comptroller General
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Enclosures

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COMMENTS ON FIRST SPECIAL MESSAGE

D88-1 FUNDS APPROPRIATED TO THE PRESIDENT
International Security Assistance
Economic support fund
Amount deferred: \$40,000,000
117/81037

The latest apportionment schedule for this account, dated September 30, 1987, shows a deferral of \$35 million, rather than \$40 million as reported in the message. Agency officials indicated to us that \$5 million was released on September 29.

The apportionment schedule also shows total budgetary resources of \$65.192 million, and not \$40 million as noted in the message. The amount shown on the apportionment schedule represents a more recent estimate of the fund's unobligated balance brought forward on October 1, 1987.

D88-2 Special Assistance for Central America
Promotion of Stability and Security in
Central America
Amount deferred: \$1,000,000
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The message incorrectly states the amount of total budgetary resources available in this account. The latest apportionment schedule for this account, dated September 21, 1987, shows total budgetary resources of \$1 million, not \$2 million as reported in the message. An OMB official told us that the correct amount is \$1 million.

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as reported by the President
(in thousands of dollars)

<u>DEFERRAL NO.</u>	<u>ITEM</u>	<u>BUDGET AUTHORITY</u>
	Funds Appropriated to the President:	
	International Security Assistance:	
D88-1	Economic support fund.....	40,000
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D88-2	Promotion of stability and security in Central America.....	1,000
	Department of Agriculture:	
	Forest Service:	
D88-3	Expenses, brush disposal.....	120,425
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	Military Construction:	
D88-7	Military construction, Defense.....	900
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	Wildlife Conservation, Military Reservations:	
D88-9	Wildlife conservation, Defense.....	636
	Department of Health and Human Services:	
	Social Security Administration:	
D88-10	Limitation on administrative expenses (construction).....	6,171
	Department of State:	
	Bureau for Refugee Programs:	
D88-11	United States emergency refugee and migration assistance fund.....	11,638
	Department of Transportation:	
	Federal Aviation Administration:	
D88-12	Facilities and equipment (Airport and airway trust fund).....	879,049