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[Impoundments Proposed in the President's 18th Special Message for Fiscal Year 1977]. OGC-77-28; B-115398. September 14, 1977. 2 pp.

Report to the Congress; by Elmer E. Staats, Comptroller General.

Contact: Office of the General Counsel: Special Studies and Analysis.

Budget Function: Miscellaneous: Impoundment Control Act of 1974 (1005).

Organization Concerned: Department of the Treasury; Energy Research and Development Administration.

Congressional Relevance: Congress.

Authority: Impoundment Control Act of 1974.

The President's 18th special message for fiscal year 1977 that was transmitted to the Congress pursuant to the Impoundment Control Act of 1974 included a proposed deferral of funds for the Energy Research and Development Administration and a revision to a previously transmitted deferral of funds for the Department of the Treasury. Findings/Conclusions: On July 28, 1977, the Comptroller General reported the deferral of \$13.4 million in budget authority for the Intense Neutron Source Facility, Los Alamos Scientific Laboratory, New Mexico. The President's reported deferral for the project proposed the withholding of \$11.3 million. The \$2.1 difference has been made available to the project for architectural and engineering activities. Revisions to the proposed deferral of funds for the Office of the Secretary, Antirecession Financial Assistance Fund, of the Department of the Treasury were also proposed. The information provided in the two proposed deferrals was correct and the actions taken have been clearly and accurately described. (SC)



COMPTROLLER GENERAL OF THE UNITED STATES
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20548

IN REPLY
REFER TO: B-115398

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

On August 16, 1977, we received copies of the President's 18th special message for fiscal year 1977 that was transmitted to the Congress pursuant to the Impoundment Control Act of 1974.

The special message included a proposed deferral for the Energy Research and Development Administration and a revision to a previously transmitted deferral as follows:

U.S. ENERGY RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT
ADMINISTRATION

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On July 28, 1977, the Comptroller General reported the deferral of \$13.4 million in budget authority for the Intense Neutron Source Facility, Los Alamos Scientific Laboratory, New Mexico. See CGC-77-23. The President's reported deferral for the project proposes the withholding of \$11.3 million, \$2.1 million less than the Comptroller General's reported impoundment. We have determined that the \$2.1 million has been made available to the project for architectural and engineering activities.

This project is number 76-5-b instead of 76-5-a as stated in the President's message.

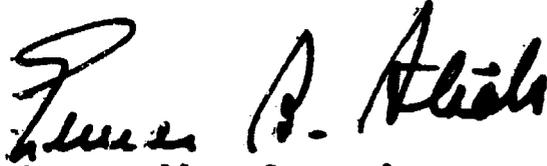
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We conclude the information provided in the two proposed deferrals is correct and that the actions taken have been clearly and accurately described.

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Comptroller General
of the United States