

September 24, 1974

The President pro tempore  
of the Senate

Sir:

I ask the Congress to consider a supplemental appropriation request of \$903,211 to pay claims and judgments rendered against the United States.

It has been the tradition of this Government to honor these claims and judgments promptly.

The details of this proposed appropriation are set forth in the enclosed letter from the Director of the Office of Management and Budget with whose comments and observations I concur.

Respectfully,

GERALD R. FORD

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OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20503

September 24, 1974

The President,

The White House

Sir:

I have the honor to submit for your consideration a proposed supplemental appropriation to pay claims and judgments rendered against the United States, as provided by various laws, in the amount of \$903,211, together with such amounts as may be necessary to pay indefinite interest and costs as follows:

CLAIMS AND JUDGMENTS

For payment of claims settled and determined by departments and agencies in accord with law and judgments rendered against the United States by the United States Court of Claims and United States district courts, as set forth in Senate Document Numbered \_\_\_\_\_ Ninety-third Congress, \$903,211, together with such amounts as may be necessary to pay interest (as and when specified in such judgments or provided by law) and such additional sums due to increases in rates of exchange as may be necessary to pay claims in foreign currency: Provided, That no judgment herein appropriated for shall be paid until it shall become final and conclusive against the United States by failure of the parties to appeal or otherwise: Provided further, That unless otherwise specifically required by law or by judgment, payment of interest wherever appropriated for herein shall not continue for more than thirty days after the date of approval of the act.

The details of this proposed supplemental appropriation are covered in the letters from the various departments and agencies set forth in the enclosure to this letter.

An estimate for claims and judgments was included within the 1975 budget totals and this request does not exceed that estimate. Therefore, the 1975 budget total is not increased by this action.

In accordance with the provisions of law providing for this submission, I recommend that this proposed supplemental appropriation be transmitted to the Congress.

Respectfully,

Roy L. Ash  
Director

Enclosure