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## THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

April 26, 1976

The President

of the Senate

Sir:

I ask the Congress to consider a proposed supplemental appropriation for the transition quarter in the amount of \$12,937,000 for the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare.

The details of this proposal are set forth in the enclosed letter from the Director of the Office of Management and Budget. I concur in his comments and observations.

Respectfully,

Renel R. Fol

Enclosure

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EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20503

April 26, 1976

The President

The White House

Sir:

I have the honor to submit for your consideration a proposed supplemental appropriation in the amount of \$12,937,000 for the transition quarter for the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare, as follows:

> DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, EDUCATION, AND WELFARE OFFICE OF EDUCATION

> > Library Resources

For an additional amount for "Library resources" for the period July 1, 1976, through September 30, 1976, \$12,937,000.

These funds are required to provide for continuation of the grants for library services and interlibrary cooperation programs.

I have carefully reviewed this budget request and I am satisfied that it is necessary at this time. I recommend, therefore, that this proposal be transmitted to the Congress.

Respectfully James T. Director



THE SECRETARY OF HEALTH, EDUCATION, AND WELF

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OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT& BUDGET

The Honorable James T. Lynn Director Office of Management and Budget Washington, D.C. 20503

Dear Mr. Lynn:

The purpose of this letter is to request a budget amendment of \$61,724,000 for fiscal year 1977 and a supplemental appropriation of \$12,937,000 for the transition quarter for the Library Resources appropriation of the Office of Education. Of the amount for fiscal year 1977, \$51,749,000 is requested for Public Libraries and \$9,975,000 for College Library Resources. The amount for the transition quarter is requested only for Public Libraries.

Both Public Libraries and College Library Resources were originally identified in the 1977 budget for inclusion in the proposed education block grant consolidation along with a Library Training and Demonstration program under Part B of the Higher Education Act and an Undergraduate Equipment program under Title VI of that Act. No funds, however, were specifically identified with any of these programs.

As a result of further deliberations leading to submission of the proposed "Financial Assistance for Elementary and Secondary Education Act," it was decided to exclude these library and equipment programs on the grounds that they were not appropriate to the elementary and secondary education focus of the legislation. It was further decided to continue support for Public Libraries and the College Library Resources program under Part A at the same level as the 1976 appropriation.

A proposed amendment to the Administration's Higher Education legislation has been transmitted to you to extend the Part A college library authority for an additional year. There is no need to extend the public library authorization. No extension of legislative authority is proposed for the Library Training and Demonstration and Undergraduate Equipment programs and no funds are being requested for fiscal year 1977.

The materials for the fiscal year 1977 budget amendment and the transition quarter supplemental for the Library Resources appropriation will be submitted to your staff shortly.

Cordially,