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ACTION

WASHINGTON

April 8, 1975

MEMORANDUM FOR

THE PRESIDENT JIM CANNON

FROM:

SUBJECT:

Ninth Special Message Under the Impoundment Control Act of 1974

OMB has prepared for your consideration the Ninth Special Message to the Congress Under the Impoundment Control Act of 1974. Included in this message are one new rescission and two new deferrals for FY 75 and nine supplementary reports to deferrals transmitted in earlier messages.

The new proposed rescission is for \$1.0 million in appropriations and \$10.4 million in transfer authority for the Department of Transportation's Railroad-Highway Crossings Demonstration Projects.

You should know that several of the highway grade crossing projects have substantial political support, and you are likely to hear from several members of Congress on this proposed action. For example:

Elko, Nevada (Senators Laxalt and Cannon)

Wheeling, West Virginia (Senator Randolph)

Lincoln, Nebraska (Senator Hruska)

Additional information is provided in Jim Lynn's memorandum at Tab A.

OMB, Max Friedersdorf and Phil Buchen (Lazarus) recommend approval of the message to the Congress which has been cleared by Paul Theis.

RECOMMENDATION

That you sign both originals of the message at Tab B.

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EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20503

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

JAMES T. LYNN

SUBJECT:

FROM:

The Ninth Special Message Under the Impoundment Control Act, 1974

Attached for your signature is the ninth special message to the Congress reporting under the Impoundment Control Act of 1974. Included in this message is one proposed rescission and eleven deferral reports. Nine of the deferrals are supplementary reports to deferrals transmitted in earlier messages. Two are deferrals being transmitted for the first time.

The largest of the supplementary messages is for the Highway Trust Fund. On February 11, 1975, you announced that \$2.0 billion in deferred highway funds had been made available for obligation. Ordinarily we do not report releases of deferred amounts via supplementary reports but a report has been prepared for this account to reflect this release, to recognize additional authorizations enacted in the Federal-Aid Highway Amendments of 1974 (P.L. 93-643), and to reflect changed economic conditions since submission of the earlier deferral.

The package contains two new deferrals: an administrative reserve being reported under Treasury's General revenue sharing trust fund, and a routine reserve for contingencies for Indian health facilities.

The new proposed rescission is for \$1.0 million in appropriations and \$10.4 million in transfer authority for the Department of Transportation's Railroad-Highway Crossings Demonstration Projects. The intention to rescind \$1 million in appropriations is included in the 1976 budget you sent to the Congress in February. Because we are late in getting the required special message report to the Congress, GAO has already prepared its own report on this and transmitted it to the Congress. Rescission of the transfer authority is consistent with the Comptroller General's opinion that amounts not used for purposes for which they are appropriated should be reported as rescissions.

Recommendation

I recommend that this ninth special message be transmitted to the Congress as soon as possible.

Attachment

TO THE CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES:

As required by the Congressional Budget and Impoundment Control Act of 1974 (Public Law 93-344), I am transmitting nine supplementary reports that revise deferral reports sent to the Congress in the fall of 1974. I am also transmitting herewith reports on one new rescission and two new deferrals for the fiscal year 1975.

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WASHINGTON

April 11, 1975

ADMINISTRATIVELY CONFIDENTIAL

MEMORANDUM FOR:

FROM:



The attached memorandum was returned in the President's outbox with the following notation:

-- Have Jim Lynn talk to me.

Please follow-up with the appropriate action.

Thank you.

cc: Don Rumsfeld Jim Cannon Bob Linder