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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

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These two enrolled
bills should be
signed on Sat. AM

JRF



APPROVED
MAY 23 1975

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

ACTION

Last Day: May 30

May 21, 1975

*Posted 5/24
To ARCHIVES
5/27*

MEMORANDUM FOR

THE PRESIDENT

FROM:

JIM CANNON *Jim*

SUBJECT:

Enrolled Bill H.R. 6894
Making Appropriations for Special
Assistance to Refugees from Cambodia
and Vietnam, 1975

Attached for your consideration is H.R. 6894, sponsored by Representative Mahon, which appropriates a total of \$405,000,000 in budget authority for assistance to refugees from Cambodia and Vietnam.

Additional information is provided in OMB's enrolled bill report at Tab A.

OMB, Max Friedersdorf, Phil Buchen (Lazarus), NSC and I recommend approval of the enrolled bill.

RECOMMENDATION

That you sign H.R. 6894 at Tab B.



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MAY 23 1975

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20503

MAY 20 1975

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

Subject: Enrolled Bill, H.R. 6894 - Making Appropriations
for Special Assistance to Refugees from Cambodia
and Vietnam, 1975
Sponsor: Representative Mahon (D), Texas

Last Day for Action

May 30, 1975 - Friday

Purpose

Provides a total of \$405,000,000 in budget authority for assistance to refugees from Cambodia and Vietnam.

Agency Recommendations

Office of Management and Budget	Approval
State Department	Approval (informally)
Department of Health, Education and Welfare	Approval (informally)



Discussion

The enrolled bill provides the two separate appropriations but at reduced levels from the Administration request: \$305,000,000 for the Department of State to use in the relocation and resettlement of refugees and \$100,000,000 for HEW to use in the resettlement of refugees in the United States, both amounts to remain available until June 30, 1976. Actions of the Congress on this bill resulted in the reduction of \$102 million from your request, primarily because the Congress estimates fewer refugees than the 130,000 initially estimated by the Department of State. The following table shows the effect of Congressional changes to the individual items contained in this enrolled bill:

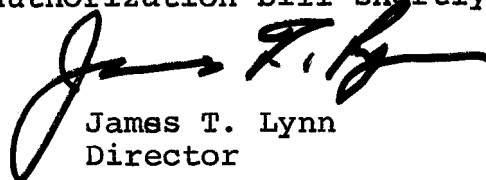
<u>Funds Provided</u> (in millions)	<u>Budget</u> <u>Request</u>	<u>Enrolled</u> <u>Bill</u>	<u>Congressional</u> <u>Change</u>
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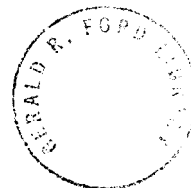
The outlays resulting from this bill are estimated at \$110 million in 1975, \$285 million in 1976, and \$10 million in 1977. Congressional action on the bill lowered outlays by \$97 million in 1976 and by \$5 million in 1977.

The enrolled bill also differs from the proposal you transmitted to Congress on May 6, 1975, by the addition of a general provision which prohibits the use of any appropriations provided in this bill for aid to the Democratic Republic of Vietnam or the Provisional Revolutionary Government.

Recommendation

Your immediate signature is recommended. Although the authorization bill is not yet enacted, the \$100 million appropriation for HEW becomes available upon your approval of this bill. The \$305 million State appropriation cannot be utilized until authorizing legislation is enacted, because the Congress last year precluded the use of any State appropriation unless specifically authorized. We expect final Congressional action on the authorization bill shortly.


James T. Lynn
Director



5/29



Mr J. -

To add to the
files, pl. Thanks.
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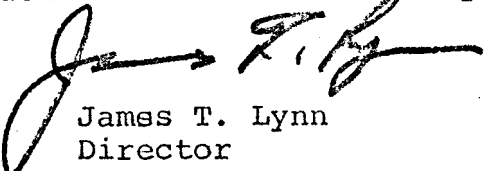
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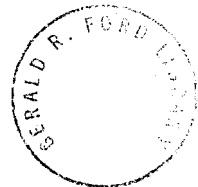
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MAY 23 1975

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

Subject: Enrolled Bill H.R. 6755 - Indochina Migration and
Refugee Assistance Act of 1975
Sponsor - Rep. Rodino (D) New Jersey

Last Day for Action

JUN 3 1975

Purpose

Authorizes appropriations of not to exceed \$455 million for assistance to refugees from Cambodia or Vietnam and requires certain reports to the Congress.

Agency Recommendations

Office of Management and Budget

Approval

Department of State

Approval (Informally)

Department of Health, Education and Welfare

Approval (Informally)

Agency for International Development

Approval (Informally)

National Security Council

Approval (Informally)

Department of Defense

Approval (Informally)

Department of Justice

Approval (Informally)

Discussion

The enrolled bill authorizes a ceiling of \$455 million on the amount which may be appropriated for assistance to refugees from Cambodia and Vietnam in lieu of your request for appropriations authorization of "such sums as may be necessary" for such purposes. The amount in the bill is \$52 million less than the Administration's estimate of the \$507 million that would be required but \$50 million above the \$405 million contained in the separate, enrolled appropriations bill which is before you for action.

To: J. Casper
5-23-75
9:40 A.M.



As requested, H.R. 6755 provides that authorization of appropriations for refugee assistance within the United States, such as welfare and related assistance, shall remain available until September 30, 1977, while authorization for other activities, such as transportation of refugees to the United States, would expire on June 30, 1976. This reflects the expectation that, by the end of fiscal year 1976, the refugees will be resettled but that there will be a continuing need for a period of time for welfare and related assistance.

It should be noted that the \$405 million provided in the appropriations bill for Vietnam and Cambodia refugee assistance would be available only through June 30, 1976. Depending upon the unfolding requirements for welfare and related assistance programs, it may be necessary to seek additional appropriations beyond June 30, 1976, or to seek an extension of availability of funds already appropriated.

H.R. 6755 also contains certain, unrequested, reporting requirements, which, although burdensome, are not highly objectionable, including:

- a requirement that the President consult with and keep the Judiciary and Appropriations Committees of both Houses and the Senate Foreign Relations and House International Relations Committees fully and currently informed of the use of funds and the exercise of functions authorized in the bill
- a requirement for a report to the above committees by the President within 30 days of enactment, and at 90 day intervals thereafter until December 31, 1977, on the status of refugees including a plan for their resettlement in the U.S., or in the case of those so requesting, their resettlement in a third country or return to their homeland, and initiatives made to the office of U.N. High Commissioner for refugees.



Such report would also have to describe steps taken by the President to retrieve, for deposit in the Treasury as miscellaneous receipts, funds previously authorized and appropriated for assistance to South Vietnam and Cambodia but not expended, exclusive of Indochina Postwar Reconstruction funds used for the movement and maintenance of refugees prior to the date of enactment of this bill.

(Signed) James M. Frey

Assistant Director for
Legislative Reference

Enclosures



THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

May 21, 1975

MEMORANDUM FOR: JIM CAVANAUGH

FROM: MAX L. FRIEDERSDORF *M.L.F.*

SUBJECT: Action Memorandum - Log No.
Enrolled Bill H.R. 6894 - Making
Appropriations for Special Assistance
to Refugees from Cambodia and Vietnam, 1975

The Office of Legislative Affairs concurs with the agencies
that the subject bill be signed.

Attachments



THE WHITE HOUSE

ACTION MEMORANDUM

WASHINGTON

LOG NO.:

Date: May 21

Time: 920am

FOR ACTION: NSC/S *W*
Max Friedersdorf
Ken Lazarus *W*

cc (for information): Jim Cavanaugh
Jack Marsh

FROM THE STAFF SECRETARY

DUE: Date: May 22

Time: 1230pm

SUBJECT:

Enrolled Bill H.R. 6894 - Making Appropriations for
Special Assistance to Refugees from Cambodia and Vietnam, 1975

ACTION REQUESTED:

For Necessary Action

For Your Recommendations

Prepare Agenda and Brief

Draft Reply

For Your Comments

Draft Remarks

REMARKS:

Please return to Judy Johnston, Ground Floor West Wing



PLEASE ATTACH THIS COPY TO MATERIAL SUBMITTED.

If you have any questions or if you anticipate a delay in submitting the required material, please telephone the Staff Secretary immediately.

K. R. COLE, JR.
For the President

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Enrolled Bill H.R. 6894 - Making Appropriations for
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ACTION REQUESTED:

 For Necessary Action For Your Recommendations Prepare Agenda and Brief Draft Reply For Your Comments Draft Remarks

REMARKS:

Please return to Judy Johnston, Ground Floor West Wing

No objection. -- Ken Lazarus 5/21/75



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Jim Cavanaugh
 For the President



Ninety-fourth Congress of the United States of America

AT THE FIRST SESSION

*Begun and held at the City of Washington on Tuesday, the fourteenth day of January,
one thousand nine hundred and seventy-five*

An Act

Making appropriations for special assistance to refugees from Cambodia and Vietnam for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1975, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the following sums are appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for special assistance to refugees from Cambodia and Vietnam for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1975, and for other purposes; namely:

TITLE I

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

OTHER

SPECIAL ASSISTANCE TO REFUGEES FROM CAMBODIA AND VIETNAM

For necessary expenses, not otherwise provided for, for the relocation and resettlement of refugees from Cambodia and Vietnam, \$305,000,000, to remain available until June 30, 1976.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, EDUCATION, AND WELFARE

SOCIAL AND REHABILITATION SERVICE

SPECIAL ASSISTANCE TO REFUGEES FROM CAMBODIA AND VIETNAM IN THE UNITED STATES

For assistance to refugees from Cambodia and Vietnam in the United States, to remain available for obligation through June 30, 1976, \$100,000,000.

TITLE II

GENERAL PROVISION

SEC. 201. No funds appropriated in this Act shall be used, directly or indirectly, to aid the Democratic Republic of Vietnam (DRV) or the Provisional Revolutionary Government (PRG), nor shall any funds appropriated under this Act be channeled through or administered by the DRV or the PRG, nor shall any funds appropriated under this Act be channeled through or administered by international organizations or voluntary agencies to aid the DRV or the PRG.

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

*Vice President of the United States and
President of the Senate.*

May 19, 1975

Dear Mr. Director:

The following bills were received at the White House on May 19th:

H.R. 6894
S. 326

Please let the President have reports and recommendations as to the approval of these bills as soon as possible.

Sincerely,

Robert D. Linder
Chief Executive Clerk

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

