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Signed 10/1/75

ACTION

#### THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON October 1, 1975

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Posted 10/2/25

MEMORANDUM FOR

THE PRESIDENT

FROM:

JIM CANNON

SUBJECT:

H.J. Res 672 - Temporary Extension of the Defense Production Act and

the National Commission on Productivity and Work Quality

Attached for your consideration is H.J. Res. 672 which extends the authorities of the Defense Production Act and the funding of the National Commission on Productivity and Work Quality from September 30, 1975 to November 30, 1975.

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

Although H.J. Res. 672 arrived at the White House today, October 1 and the last day of action is not until October 13, OMB recommends immediate approval to provide the necessary continuity of authorities. Max Friedersdorf, Counsel's Office (Lazarus) and I concur.

#### RECOMMENDATION

That you sign H.J. Res. 672 at Tab B.

To Press Office, Thym Smith, 9.30 Am 10/2/75





## EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

## OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20503

SEP 3 0 1975

#### MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

Subject: Enrolled Resolution H.J. Res. 672 - Temporary

Extension of the Defense Production Act and the National Commission on Productivity and

Work Quality

## Last Day for Action

Should be signed no later than September 30, 1975 - Tuesday

## Purpose

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## Agency Recommendations

Office of Management and Budget Approval

General Services Administration Approval (informally)

National Commission on Productivity and Work Quality

Approval (informally)

#### Discussion

H.J. Res. 672 would authorize for the second time this year a temporary extension of the Defense Production Act. The first extension, which you signed into law June 28, 1975, covered the period July 1, 1975, through September 30, 1975. Representative Ashley sponsored this second extension for 60 days in order to permit sufficient time for consideration of a House alternative to S. 1537, which was passed by the

Senate September 15, to extend and amend the Defense Production Act. That bill contains a number of new restrictions and record-keeping requirements on voluntary agreements drawn up among U.S. business firms to ensure expedited and secure defense supplies and services. In contrast, the Administration has proposed a simple two-year extension of the Act without amendment.

We understand that Representative Ashley hopes to have the House pass an alternative bill which is less restrictive and burdensome on the issue of voluntary agreements than is S. 1527.

The authorities under the Act expire Tuesday, September 30, 1975, unless extended. Failure to extend the Act before its expiration might cast doubt upon the Government's authority to assure the supply of materials on a priority basis for defense procurement orders. Further, a lapse in the statute might require revalidation of existing regulations. The enrolled resolution would, by extending the Defense Production Act through November 30, 1975, provide the necessary continuity of authority.

H.J. Res. 672 also provides a second temporary extension of the funding authority, at current levels, of the National Commission on Productivity and Work Quality. The first temporary extension was for the 90-day period July 1 through September 30, 1975. Although the Senate on September 4 passed S. 2195, which would continue the Commission's basic authority with amendments, action by the House on corresponding legislation has not been completed.

Assistant Director for Legislative Reference

Enclosures

## THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON

10.7.75
TO: Tom Jones
For Your Information:
For Appropriate Handling:
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DATE: 10-6-75

TO:

Bob Linder

FROM:

Jim Frey

Attached are agency views letters as follow:

HJR 672 - GSA and Nat'l Comm.
 on Productivity and Work
 Quality

S 2230 - Dept. of Defense

Please have included in the enrolled bill files. Thanks.

# UNITED STATES OF AMERICA GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

WASHINGTON, DC 20405



OCT 3 1975

Honorable James T. Lynn Director Office of Management and Budget Washington, DC 20503

Dear Mr. Lynn:

By referral dated October 1, 1975, from the Assistant Director for Legislative Reference, your office requested the views of the General Services Administration on enrolled bill H. J. Res 672 "To extend by two months the expiration date of the Defense Production Act of 1950 and to extend the funding of the National Commission on Productivity and Work Quality for two months."

This resolution extends the Defense Production Act of 1950 for sixty days. This will allow the Congress additional time to consider legislation to extend the DPA for an additional two years.

GSA strongly endorses Presidential approval of the enrolled bill.

Arthur A. Sampson

erely,

Administrator

## NATIONAL COMMISSION ON PRODUCTIVITY AND WORK QUALITY WASHINGTON, D.C. 20036

October 1, 1975

Mr. James M. Frey
Assistant Director
for Legislative Reference
Office of Management and Budget
Washington, DC 20503

Dear Mr. Frey:

In response to your request in accordance with OMB Circular A-19 regarding H.J. Res. 672, I am pleased to advise you that this legislation was enacted at the request of the Executive Committee of the Commission chaired by Vice President Nelson Rockefeller.

The need for this legislation is brought about by the House not yet having had the opportunity to act on Senate legislation to form a National Center for Productivity and Quality of Working Life. It is anticipated that during the intervening two months the House will pass simililar legislation and that a new organization will assume the responsibilities of the current National Commission on Productivity and Work Quality.

As you no doubt know, the current Commission was appropriated \$2 million through P.L. 94-91 of which \$1.5 million were deferred by the President's request of September 24 to the Congress in the absence of authorizing legislation. It will now be necessary to release those funds as soon as the President signs H.J. Res. 672.

With thanks for your attention, I remain,

Sincerely,

George H. Kuper

Acting Executive Director

cc: Howard Smolkin, OMB

OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET 30 Linder - W.H. Per our phone conversation, the attached memoraridum on H.J. Res. 672 was prepared on a contingent basis and hooumes that the Senale will pass the resolution today without chance from the House passed Version. GSA advises us that they have contacted the offices 7 Senators Scott and Mansfull to unge Senate action today Juin Trey

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Assistant Director for Legislative Reference

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ACTION MEMORANDUM

WASHINGTON

LOG NO.: 486

Date: September 30

630pm Time:

FOR ACTION:

Kathleen Ryan

Max Friedersdorf

Ken Lazarusah

cc (for information): Jim Cavanaugh

Jack Marsh

Warren Hendriks

#### FROM THE STAFF SECRETARY

DUE: Date:

October 1

Time:

noon

#### SUBJECT:

H.J. Res. 672-Temporary Extension of the Defense Production Act and the National Commission on Productivity and Work Quality

#### ACTION REQUESTED:

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For Your Recommendations

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Draft Reply

For Your Comments

Draft Remarks

## REMARKS:

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K. R. COLE, JR. For the President

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#### REMARKS:

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If the resolution is signed today, there will be no lapse in authority. Arguably, it could be signed tomorrow or later and operate retroactively. However, in order to eliminate any potential for litigation, recommend the resolution be signed today.

Ken Lazarus

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WASHINGTON

October 1, 1975

MEMORANDUM FOR JUDY JOHNSTON

FROM:

KATHLEEN RYAN

SUBJECT:

H.J. Res. 672

H.J. Res. 672 - Temporary Extension of the Defense Production Act and the National Commission on Productivity and Work Quality

Domestic Council Recommendation Approval

WASHINGTON

October 1, 1975

MEMORANDUM FOR:

JIM CAVANAUGH

FROM:

MAX L. FRIEDERSDORF M.G.

SUBJECT:

H.J.Res. 672 - Temporary Extension of the

Defense Production Act and the National Commission

on Productivity and Work Quality

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

Attachments

## Minety-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

## Joint Resolution

To extend by two months the expiration date of the Defense Production Act of 1950 and to extend the funding of the National Commission on Productivity and Work Quality for two months.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the first sentence of section 717(a) of the Defense Production Act of 1950 is amended by striking out "September 30, 1975" and inserting in lieu thereof "November 30, 1975".

SEC. 2. The last sentence of subsection (j) of Public Law 93-311 is amended by striking out "September 30, 1975" and inserting in lieu thereof "November 30, 1975".

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Dear Mr. Director:

The following bills were received at the White House on October lat:

H.R. 1757 H.J. Res. 672

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.