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NOTICE TO THE PRESS

The President has signed H. R. 6894--Making Appropriations for Special Assistance to Refugees from Cambodia and Vietnam, 1975-- which provides a total of \$405,000,000 in budget authority for assistance to refugees from Cambodia and Vietnam.

The bill will provide two separate appropriations: \$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.

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.

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