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Office of the White House Press Secretary  
-----NOTICE TO THE PRESS

The President has signed H. J. Res. 857 - Further extension of continuing appropriations for fiscal year 1976 and the transition quarter.

This bill extends -- until September 30, 1976 -- the authority provided in Public Law 94-41 (approved June 27, 1975) for continuing appropriations.

The extension of continuing appropriations authority provided by the resolution is needed for on-going Federal activities for which 1976 and transition quarter appropriations have not been enacted. These include:

- activities contained in the District of Columbia and Foreign Assistance appropriation acts.
- activities which were deferred from regular 1975 appropriation bills -- generally because they lacked authorizing legislation -- and are dependent upon this extension of the continuing resolution for funding authority.

The resolution also modifies the language of the existing continuing resolution to allow the continuation of certain health training programs which would otherwise terminate.

In addition, the enrolled resolution provides a regular 1976 appropriation in the amount of \$175,000 for the National Commission on Water Quality.

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