

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 28, 1976

The President

of the Senate

Sir:

I ask the Congress to consider amendments to the requests for appropriations transmitted in the budget for fiscal year 1977 in the amount of \$95,600,000 for the Department of Transportation.

The details of these proposals are set forth in the enclosed letter from the Acting Director of the Office of Management and Budget. I concur with his comments and observations.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Gerald R. Ford". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned below the typed name "Gerald R. Ford".



OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20503

July 28, 1976

The President

The White House

Sir:

I have the honor to submit for your consideration amendments to the requests for appropriations transmitted in the budget for the fiscal year 1977, involving an increase in the amount of \$95,600,000 for the Department of Transportation. The details of these requests are contained in the enclosure to this letter.

I have carefully reviewed the proposals for appropriations contained in this document and am satisfied that these requests are necessary at this time. I recommend, therefore, that these proposals be transmitted to the Congress.

Respectfully,

Paul H. O'Neill
Acting Director

Enclosure

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

UNITED STATES COAST GUARD

Budget appendix page	Heading	1977 request pending	1977 proposed amendments	1977 revised request
555	Operating expenses (In the paragraph under the above heading delete "one hundred and seventy- nine" and insert in lieu thereof <u>one hundred and eighty-six.</u>)	\$817,900,000	\$6,000,000	\$823,900,000
557	Acquisition, construction and improvements	\$171,100,000	\$27,000,000	\$198,100,000

These requests will provide the funds to enable the Coast Guard to meet its responsibilities in enforcing the provisions of the Fisheries Conservation and Management Act of 1976, Public Law 94-265. This act extends the U.S. fisheries jurisdiction from 12 miles to 200 miles from the U.S. coast line. These funds will be used to activate, man, and operate additional surveillance aircraft, to procure additional aircraft, and to modify support facilities.