THE WHITE HOUSE

May 5, 1976

The President

of the Senate

Sir:

I ask the Congress to consider a fiscal year 1976 supplemental appropriation request of \$19,431,229 to pay claims and judgments rendered against the United States.

It has been the tradition of this Government to honor these claims and judgments promptly.

The details of this proposed appropriation are set forth in the enclosed letter from the Director of the Office of Management and Budget. I concur with his comments and observations.

Respectfully,

Herald R. Ford

Enclosure



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

The President

The White House

Sir:

I have the honor to submit for your consideration a proposed supplemental appropriation to pay claims and judgments rendered against the United States, as provided by various laws, in the amount of \$19,431,229, together with such amounts as may be necessary to pay indefinite interest and costs as follows:

CLAIMS AND JUDGMENTS

For payment of claims settled and determined by departments and agencies in accord with law and judgments rendered against the United States by the United States Court of Claims and United States district courts, as set forth in Senate Document , Ninety-fourth Congress, \$19,431,229, together with such amounts as may be necessary to pay interest (as and when specified in such judgments or provided by law) and such additional sums due to increases in rates of exchange as may be necessary to pay claims in foreign currency: Provided, That no judgment herein appropriated for shall be paid until it shall become final and conclusive against the United States by failure of the parties to appeal or otherwise: Provided further, That unless otherwise specifically required by law or by judgment, payment of interest wherever appropriated for herein shall not continue for more than thirty days after the date of approval of the act.

The details of this proposed supplemental appropriation are covered in the eletters from the various departments and agencies set forth in the enclosure to this letter.

An estimate for 1976 claims and judgments was included in the 1976 totals shown in the 1977 budget. This request does not exceed that estimate. Therefore, the 1976 budget total is not increased by this action.

In accordance with the provisions of law providing for this submission, I recommend that this proposed supplemental appropriation be transmitted to the Congress.

Respectfully,

James T. Lynn Director

Enclosure

Awards rendered by the Indian Claims Commission against the United States for payment by Department of the Treasury, Fiscal Service, Bureau of Government Financial Operations

SCHEDULE A

Docket	Claimant	Amount	Date of Award	Nature of Claim
73 and 151	THE SEMINOLE INDIANS OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA, AND THE SEMINOLE NATION OF OKLAHOMA	\$16,000,000.00	April 27, 1976	Compensation for Land
357 - A	PUEBLO OF TAOS	297,684.67	March 17, 1976	Compensation for Land
•		16,297,684.67		

SCHEDULE B

Judgments over \$100,000 rendered by the U. S. Court of Claims against the United States for payment by Department of the Treasury, Fiscal Service, Bureau of Government Financial Operations

pocket Number	Claimant	Amount	Date of Judgment	Nature of Claim
815-71	Texas International Company, et. al.	\$326,836.08	April 2, 1976	Compensation for Land
154-74	J. Foster Pate, as Trustee	142,300.00	April 2, 1976	Compensation for Land
196-73	Assateague Beach Corporation	114,408.00	March 12, 1976	Breach of Contract

583,544.08

SCHEDULE C

Judgments over \$100,000 rendered by the United States District Courts against the United States for payment by Department of the Treasury, Fiscal Service, Bureau of Government Financial Operations

Docket Number	Claimant	Amount	Date of Judgment	Nature of Claim
).	Department of Defense Department of the Army			
Civil No. 73-3978 District of Hawaii	Carolyn Amy Palisbo, a minor by her Guardian Ad Litem, Sarah Soon Ho Palisbo	\$150,000.00	March 1, 1976	Medical Malpractic
	Department of the Navy			
Civil No. 71-CV-535 Northern District of New York	Leroy G. Honsinger, individ- ually and as Administrator of the Estate of Yvonne Angelina Honsinger	125,000.00	March 22, 1976	Wrongful Death
Civil No. 73-CIV-897 Eastern District of New York	Lockheed Shipbuilding and Construction Company and Walworth Company	600,000.00	April 5, 1976	Public Vessels Act
	Department of the Air Force			
Civil No. 24-131 Northern District of Florida, Pensacola Division	Charles S. Preston and Barbara M. Preston	300,000.00	April 2, 1976	Personal Injury

SCHEDULE C

Judgments over \$100,000 rendered by the United States District Courts against the United States for payment by Department of the Treasury, Fiscal Service, Bureau of Government Financial Operations

Docket Number	Claimant	Amount	Date of Judgment	Nature of Claim
·).	Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service			
Civil No. C-73-228 Northern District of Ohio	Elizabeth Ann Sheperd, Executrix of the Estate of Robert G. Sheperd and Elizabeth Ann Sheperd, Individually	800,000.00	April 20, 1976	Wrongful Death and Personal Injury
·	Department of Agriculture			•
Civil No. C-74-264 District of Utah, Central Division	Rex Carter, for himself and as Guardian Ad Litem for Arlene Carter; and David Leon Carter	375,000.00	March 12, 1976	Wrongful Death and Personal Injury
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2,350,000.00

SCHEDULE D

Compromise Settlements over \$100,000 under the Federal Tort Claims Act for payment by Department of the Treasury, Fiscal Service, Bureau of Government Financial Operations

Agency Claim Number	Claimant	Amount	Date of Settlement	Nature of Claim
	Veterans Administration			•
Index No. 10455/75 C 15 197 945	Carrie Edwards and Henry Hirsch, Esq. Co-Committee of the Person and Estate of John L. Edwards, incompetent, and Rankow and Cohen, their attorneys	\$190,000.00	October 28, 1975	Medical Malpractice
Index No. 10455/75 C 15 197 945	Carrie Edwards, wife of John L. Edwards, and Rankow and Cohen, her attorneys	10,000.00	October 28, 1975	Medical Malpractice

200,000.00