

DIVISION J -- MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, VETERANS AFFAIRS, AND RELATED  
AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2021

The joint explanatory statement accompanying this division is approved and indicates congressional intent. Unless otherwise noted, the language set forth in House Report 116-445 carries the same weight as language included in the joint explanatory statement and should be complied with unless specifically addressed to the contrary in this joint explanatory statement. While some language is repeated for emphasis, it is not intended to negate the language referred to above unless expressly provided herein.

In cases where House Report 116-445 or this explanatory statement directs the submission of a report, that report is to be submitted to the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate. Where this explanatory statement refers to the Committees or the Committees on Appropriations, unless otherwise noted, this reference is to the House of Representatives Subcommittee on Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies and the Senate Subcommittee on Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies.

TITLE I  
DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

*Reprogramming Guidelines.*-- The following reprogramming guidelines apply for all military construction and family housing projects. A project or account (including the sub-elements of an account) which has been specifically reduced by the Congress in acting on the budget request is considered to be a congressional interest item and as such, prior approval is required. Accordingly, no reprogramming to an item specifically reduced below the threshold by the Congress is permitted, except that the DOD may seek reprogramming for appropriated increments.

The reprogramming criteria that apply to military construction projects, which is 25 percent of the funded amount or \$2,000,000, whichever is less, also apply to new housing construction projects and improvements. To provide the Services the flexibility to proceed with construction contracts without disruption or delay, the costs associated with environmental

hazard remediation such as asbestos removal, radon abatement, lead-based paint removal or abatement, and any other legislated environmental hazard remediation may be excluded, if such remediation requirements could not be reasonably anticipated at the time of the budget submission. This exclusion applies to projects authorized in this budget year, as well as projects authorized in prior years for which construction has not been completed.

In addition to these guidelines, the Services are directed to adhere to the guidance for military construction reprogramming actions and notifications, including the pertinent statutory authorities contained in DOD Financial Management Regulation 7000.14-R and relevant updates and policy memoranda. Further, the agreement encourages the Office of the Director of National Intelligence to use a format similar to that used by the Office of the Secretary of Defense to submit reprogramming requests.

*Facilities Sustainment, Restoration and Modernization (FSRM).*—The Department of Defense is directed to continue describing on form 1390 the backlog of FSRM requirements at installations with future construction projects. For troop housing requests, form 1391 should describe any FSRM conducted in the past two years. Likewise, future requirements for unaccompanied housing at the corresponding installation should be included. Additionally, the forms should include English equivalent measurements for projects presented in metric measurement. Rules for funding repairs of facilities under the Operation and Maintenance accounts are described below:

- (1) components of the facility may be repaired by replacement. Such replacement can be up to current standards or codes;
- (2) interior arrangements and restorations may be included as repair;
- (3) additions and new facilities may be done concurrently with repair projects, as long as the final conjunctively funded project is a complete and usable facility; and
- (4) the appropriate Service Secretary shall notify the appropriate committees 21 days prior to carrying out any repair project with an estimated cost in excess of \$7,500,000.

*Incremental Funding.*— The Committees recognize that providing full funding for military construction projects if they are executable is ideal. However, it continues to be the practice to provide incremental funding for certain large projects to enable the Services to more efficiently allocate military construction dollars among projects that can be executed in the year of appropriation. Therefore, the agreement includes six projects that have been incrementally funded, however the full authorization of the projects was provided in the National Defense Authorization Act, Fiscal Year 2021.

*Strategic Construction in the Indo-Pacific Region.*—Military construction can be a strategic asset to enhance posture and deter near-peer competitors. The agreement supports efforts to execute emergent requirements and accelerate construction investments in the Indo-Pacific Command (INDOPACOM) region and provides \$10,000,000 under Defense-Wide planning and design for projects in INDOPACOM that support National Defense Strategy objectives to sustain joint force military advantages and deter adversaries from aggression against our national interest.

*Military Installation Resilience.*—The agreement continues to support efforts to improve the resilience of military installations, pursuant to definitions under 10 U.S.C. 2801 and in support of installation master plan development, especially to reduce the requirements for new military construction following a natural disaster. It encourages installations to develop plans that take into account current and future risks from extreme weather and severe changes in environmental conditions and directs the Department to work with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and Naval Facilities Engineering Command to incorporate military installation resilience best practices into master planning institute curriculum development. Furthermore, the agreement emphasizes that each of the Services should prioritize and commit funding to projects that improve the resilience of military installations and their missions and notes the need to ensure that infrastructure and facilities remain operational against natural and manmade threats. Recognizing that such investments are critical to installation readiness, the agreement provides \$4,000,000 in planning and design funding for the Army and Air Force, and \$7,000,000 in planning and design funding for the Navy and Marine Corps to continue to develop projects, conduct studies and analyses, and update Unified Facilities Criteria, that will directly enhance

military installation resilience. No later than 90 days after enactment of this Act the Services are directed to provide a spend plan on the funds appropriated in fiscal years 2020 and 2021.

*Defense Access Roads.*—The agreement encourages DOD and the Department of Transportation to use its authorities under the Defense Access Roads program to enhance military installation resilience by protecting roadways that are critical to national defense from all hazards. This includes authorities provided in the fiscal year 2020 National Defense Authorization Act (Public Law 116–92) that allow for prioritization of the reconstruction or enhancement of, or improvements to, those roads to ensure the continued effective use of the roads, regardless of current or projected increases in mean tides, recurrent flooding, or other weather-related conditions or natural disasters; and the replacement of existing highways and highway connections that are shut off from general public use by necessary closures, closures due to mean sea level fluctuation and flooding. No later than 90 days after enactment of this Act, the agreement directs each of the Service Secretaries concerned to certify and provide the guidance available to installation commanders explaining how to assess defense access road deficiencies described in section 2808 of Public Law 116–92 and the process for sponsoring projects to address these deficiencies. Military services should ensure installation commanders are appropriately prioritizing projects for sponsorship that mitigate risks to defense access roads with preventive intervention.

*Adequate Childcare for Military Families.*—The importance of secure and adequate childcare for military families is key to readiness. DOD has agreed these childcare services and benefits help support their recruiting, retention and readiness goals, and that there is generally a high level of satisfaction among servicemembers who use DOD childcare services. However, the success of the program depends, in part, on ensuring adequate facilities for child development centers (CDCs) and School Age Care (SAC) Program facilities, preferably on military installations. The Service Secretaries are directed to submit a report to the congressional defense committees no later than 180 days after enactment of this Act detailing (1) all installations that have CDCs and SAC facilities; (2) the physical condition of these facilities; and (3) the length of time military families must wait before enrolling their children into CDCs and SAC programs. To help address the significant capacity shortfall, the agreement provides an additional \$206,200,000 for four unfunded CDCs.

*Fire and Emergency Services.*—The agreement notes concern with the state of infrastructure that supports fire and emergency services, including facilities that are too small for new firetrucks and those with outdated fire suppression systems. Additionally, some installations lack the proper amount of fire stations for adequate coverage and firefighting capability. The agreement supports prioritizing projects that support fire protection and emergency services and, where possible, leveraging local community and private sector partnerships to augment fire and emergency services capacity and capabilities.

*Federal, State and Local Intelligence Collaboration.*—Several states utilize National Guard Bureau (NGB) facilities for intelligence analysis and fusion centers. The agreement supports these collaborative co-location projects and urges the Department and the NGB to prioritize such projects, including Sensitive Compartmented Information Facility projects to conduct State and Federal intelligence analysis, in the fiscal year 2022 and future budget submissions.

#### MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, ARMY

The agreement provides \$628,900,000 for “Military Construction, Army”, which is \$21,436,000 below the budget request. Within this amount, the agreement includes \$147,000,000 for study, planning, design, architect and engineer services, and host nation support.

*Firefighting Houses and Equipment.*—The Secretary of the Army is directed to provide a report to the Committees, within 180 days of enactment of this Act, regarding firehouses, firefighting equipment, and firefighting personnel on military installations in non-contiguous states and territories. This report should include a timeline, details, and projected costs for the building of any firehouses on DOD installations that have firefighting personnel but have substandard working and living conditions for personnel and their equipment, suited to their mission and needs. The report also should include information on remediation efforts to mitigate substandard conditions and to protect personnel and equipment.

*Pacific Firefighting Support.*—The agreement notes the concerning conditions of firefighting facilities from which Federal firefighters, Army Forestry Technicians, Army

Wildland Firefighters and Emergency Service Technicians work to support military installations in the State of Hawaii, including training that is important to military readiness. In particular, the agreement notes substandard condition of a facility designated and built by Federal employees as a temporary firehouse facility for the U.S. Army Garrison Hawaii Directorate of Emergency Services, Fire and Emergency Services Division on Oahu poses a risk to training and readiness for U.S. Army Hawaii. The agreement directs the Secretary of the Army to provide a plan within 90 days of enactment of this Act to replace the current facility with a permanent firehouse station facility, including the timeline and projected costs. The plan shall also include an interim solution to address the substandard working conditions of the above-referenced Federal employees until a permanent firehouse station facility is constructed, including any necessary actions required to address recruitment and retention of fire, forestry, wildland and emergency service staff. The Army may synchronize and coordinate this report with the directive provided under "Firefighting Houses and Equipment" in House Report 116-445 to reduce duplicative efforts, however each item noted in the House Report should be addressed.

#### MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, NAVY AND MARINE CORPS

The agreement provides \$1,716,144,000 for "Military Construction, Navy and Marine Corps", which is \$259,462,000 below the budget request. Within this amount, the agreement includes \$261,710,000 for study, planning, design, architect and engineer services.

*Marine Corps Military Construction Projects in INDOPACOM AOR.*—There is concern that the Navy has not properly synchronized or planned the necessary construction projects needed for a Marine Corps presence in the INDOPACOM AOR. The Secretary of the Navy is directed to provide a master plan, in unclassified and classified format, to the congressional defense committees. The plan should outline by fiscal year and dollar amount the planned military construction projects to support Marines in Darwin, Australia, East Timor and Vanuatu no later than 90 days after enactment of this Act.

*Naval Shipyard Modernization.*—The agreement supports the Department's Shipyard Infrastructure Optimization Plan and believes the restoral of deferred maintenance availabilities along with the public shipyard dry dock investments recommended by the plan is critical. The

agreement urges the Secretary of the Navy to prioritize the timely funding of public shipyard infrastructure, in particular, the dry dock and shore infrastructure necessary to support critical maintenance of surface and submarine fleets by public shipyards.

*Planning and Design.*—The agreement reiterates the concern that the Navy’s process to identify, plan, and budget for requirements to provide adequate shore facilities and infrastructure to support the deployment of new weapons systems is flawed. The late addition of large scale and high cost infrastructure harms not only the success of the project, but the entire program, as existing resources are re-prioritized to support late adds. While fact of life changes and unforeseen circumstances can cause valid disruptions to the program, there is frustration at the lack of planning and wherewithal to appropriately program multibillion-dollar projects and communicate effectively with the Committees of jurisdiction. The agreement supports the Pearl Harbor dry dock replacement project and therefore provides an additional \$96,000,000 in planning and design to begin critical path design efforts. Furthermore, the Navy is encouraged to work with and, where necessary, educate stakeholders on military construction to ensure the success of future projects, program offices and the overall military construction program.

#### MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, AIR FORCE

The agreement provides \$616,156,000 for “Military Construction, Air Force”, which is \$150,976,000 below the budget request. Within this amount, the agreement includes \$212,556,000 for study, planning, design, architect and engineer services.

*Tinian Development Program.*—The agreement directs the Secretary of the Air Force to provide a briefing on steps taken to attract an adequate workforce, account for unique market conditions, ensure reliable access to construction sites and otherwise limit mobilization costs, account for accessibility to remote work sites, and any other relevant steps taken no later than 90 days after enactment of this Act.

*The Weapons Technology Integration Center (WTIC).*—There is concern that the WTIC infrastructure is old, inefficient, and lacking in secure areas. As directed by the National Security Strategy and National Defense Strategy, to keep our asymmetric military advantage, the Nation

needs to modernize our weapon systems, and be able to do so at the speed of relevance. The WTIC would enable the US to achieve these needs with modern, secure laboratory space that allows the digital transition in weapons research and development and increases collaboration across a multi-disciplinary workforce that enables rapid transition of technologies to the warfighter. The Secretary of the Air Force is directed to report to the congressional defense committees on the total cost of the WTIC and what fiscal years the replacement construction would be submitted no later than 90 days after enactment of this Act.

*MIT Lincoln West Lab CSL/MIF, Increment 3.*—There is concern that the Air Force did not submit a request for the final increment of the MIT-Lincoln West Lab CSL/MIF in the fiscal year 2021 budget request. Increments 1 and 2 were provided in fiscal years 2019 and 2020. The importance of these types of labs, especially the MIT-Lincoln Lab is paramount to the Air Force's research and development program. Therefore, the Secretary of the Air Force is directed to report to the congressional defense committees no later than 60 days after enactment of this Act on the status of obligation and execution for increments 1 and 2, the fiscal year in which the third increment will be requested and the amount, and a timeline for completion of the project.

*Ground Based Strategic Deterrent.*—As part of its fiscal year 2021 budget submission, the Air Force provided the congressional defense committees with a legislative proposal to carry out the activities associated with the recapitalization of the Nation's ground based nuclear missile systems. The legislative proposal for ground based strategic deterrent (GBSD) would allow for the use of research, development, test and evaluation (RDT&E) funding for planning and design activities and would utilize procurement funding to replace the existing launch control and launch facilities in lieu of military construction funding. The agreement notes the enormous undertaking required to execute the GBSD program, which entails replacement of the Minuteman missile fleet, and replacement of 450 launch facility sites and 45 launch center sites across five states. While the Committees support the plan, the agreement does not support the legislative proposal at this time.

Recognizing the potential for schedule risk if the traditional military construction approach is used, the agreement encourages the Air Force to continue to evaluate and present suggestions to adjust current military construction regulations to improve the program. For example, there are viable efforts to group projects, whether by installation, air wing, or other

grouping, and the Air Force should designate a way forward for ease of management and execution. The agreement also supports efforts to utilize an approach where a single prime vendor may be designated to execute military construction projects in coordination with the Army Corps of Engineers. Due to the scale of this endeavor and the importance of maintaining our nuclear deterrence, the Secretary of the Air Force shall designate a senior leader to plan, coordinate and execute the military construction, RDT&E, and procurement functions with the ability to impact each appropriation as needed. Finally, the agreement directs the Secretary of the Air Force to submit a detailed report outlining the replacement plan for the launch control and launch facilities while maintaining the required readiness posture no later than 180 days after enactment of this Act.

*Air Force Space Situational Awareness.*—The agreement notes the importance of the Air Force’s space tracking mission on Maui, which provides a critical capability to tracking, identifying, and characterizing space objects of interest. The Air Force plans to begin consolidating its mission support activities from rented space to permanent construction in Kihei, Maui. This proposed permanent facility construction would meet Air Force mission needs, increase anti-terrorism and force protection, and align with the Air Force’s obligation of fiscal year 2020 planning and design funds for a consolidated presence in west Maui. The agreement directs the Secretary of the Air Force to submit a report within 90 days of enactment of this Act describing the current approach, timeline, and budgetary needs to support this consolidation effort; an explanation of how the proposed consolidation preserves the Air Force space tracking mission on Maui; a notional plan outlining the Air Force’s expected community engagement and outreach with state and county stakeholders to ensure adequate protection of historical, cultural, and environmental resources; and an assessment of how the planned consolidation complements existing or planned Department of Air Force and DOD activities on Maui and in the State of Hawaii.

*Weapons Generation Facilities (WGF).*—The agreement directs the Department to continue to provide quarterly updates on projects associated with the WGF modernization program, including the status of planning and estimated timelines for projects not yet in the design phase.

*Security Gates.*—The agreement urges the Air Force to plan and program sufficient funding to address security gate deficiencies at Air Force Global Strike Command installations in its fiscal year 2022–2026 future years defense program.

#### MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, DEFENSE-WIDE

#### (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

The agreement provides \$2,041,909,000 for “Military Construction, Defense-Wide”, which is \$14,389,000 above the budget request. Within this amount, the agreement includes \$162,076,000 for study, planning, design, architect and engineer services.

*Hawaii Defense Radar.*—The agreement continues to support the Homeland Defense Radar-Hawaii (HDR–H) and recognizes its importance to protecting Hawaii and the continental United States from current and future missile threats. The radar is necessary to the Missile Defense Agency’s (MDA) layered defense for the Indo-Pacific region and as such, Congress appropriated planning and design funds in fiscal years 2019 and 2020 for the project. MDA subsequently programmed \$23,900,000 of these funds for this purpose. However, there is concern that MDA has not made sufficient and timely progress in its environmental review of potential locations to site HDR–H which has led to delays in the military construction elements of the program. Specifically, the agreement notes the lack of information about the candidacy of the Pacific Missile Range Facility on the island of Kauai as an alternative site, including Department of the Navy concerns about potentially locating the radar at this training range.

*Energy Resilience and Conservation Investment Program (ERCIP).*—The agreement provides a total of \$191,100,000 for ERCIP, an increase of \$34,400,000 above the budget request. The Secretary of Defense is directed to submit a spend plan for the additional ERCIP funds no later than 30 days after enactment of this Act.

#### MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, ARMY NATIONAL GUARD

The agreement provides \$349,437,000 for “Military Construction, Army National Guard,” which is \$28,000,000 above the budget request. Within this amount, the agreement includes \$44,593,000 for study, planning, design, architect and engineer services.

*Readiness Center Transformation Master Plan.*—The Army National Guard (ARNG) should continue to dedicate funding to implement the Readiness Center Transformation Master Plan. Facilities that fail to meet modern safety and security standards, contain hazardous materials and do not account for the needs of male and female soldiers in the modern Army are obstacles to training, readiness, recruitment and retention. The Army and ARNG leadership are urged to sufficiently budget for military construction so that a sustained investment in the Readiness Center transformation plan avoids severely neglected operational facilities.

#### MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, AIR NATIONAL GUARD

The agreement provides \$64,214,000 for “Military Construction, Air National Guard”, which is the same as the budget request. Within this amount, the agreement includes \$3,414,000 for study, planning, design, architect and engineer services.

*Corrosion Control Facilities.*— The agreement notes concern with dual use fuel cell maintenance and corrosion control facilities that support both Active and Guard requirements. While it is sometimes optimal to share facilities and reduce costs, these arrangements do not always adequately meet the needs of all stakeholders. For example, at Little Rock Air Force Base, corrosion control and fuel cell maintenance that supports Guard activities is being accomplished by sharing the use of active duty host-owned facilities on a space available basis, making it difficult to schedule and complete required maintenance actions. Continued maintenance delays can negatively impact readiness and mission accomplishment. The Committees expect the Air Force and Air National Guard to prioritize such facilities to adequately support Guard requirements in future budget requests.

#### MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, ARMY RESERVE

The agreement provides \$88,337,000 for “Military Construction, Army Reserve”, which is the same as the budget request. Within this amount, the agreement includes \$1,218,000 for study, planning, design, architect and engineer services.

## MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, NAVY RESERVE

The agreement provides \$70,995,000 for “Military Construction, Navy Reserve”, which is the same as the budget request. Within this amount, the agreement includes \$3,485,000 for study, planning, design, architect and engineer services.

## MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, AIR FORCE RESERVE

The agreement provides \$23,117,000 for “Military Construction, Air Force Reserve”, which is the same as the budget request. Within this amount, the agreement includes \$3,270,000 for study, planning, design, architect and engineer services.

Infrastructure Supporting Air Refueling Missions.—Air refueling is a critical capability provided by the Air Force Reserve (AFR) rapid global mobility mission. The agreement notes that certain taxiways at installations supporting the AFR air refueling mission, such as at Niagara Falls Air Reserve Station, do not meet length requirements and have not been updated following aircraft conversion, which limits takeoff capacity and increases weather restrictions, reducing the readiness of units to respond to global requirements. The agreement urges the Secretary of the Air Force to prioritize funding for ready-to-execute AFR taxiway repair projects.

## NORTH ATLANTIC TREATY ORGANIZATION SECURITY INVESTMENT PROGRAM

The agreement provides \$173,030,000 for the “North Atlantic Treaty Organization Security Investment Program”, which is the same as the budget request.

## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE BASE CLOSURE ACCOUNT

The agreement provides \$480,447,000 for the “Department of Defense Base Closure Account”, which is \$180,000,000 above the budget request.

The agreement provides an additional \$80,000,000 for the Navy to accelerate environmental remediation at installations closed under previous Base Closure and Realignment rounds. Furthermore, the Navy shall provide to the congressional defense committees a spend plan for these additional funds no later than 60 days after enactment of this Act.

The agreement includes a rescission of \$50,000,000 in unobligated balances from the Department of Defense BRAC account within Army and Air Force.

*Perfluorooctane Sulfonate (PFOS) and Perfluorooctanoic Acid (PFOA).*—The agreement provides an additional \$100,000,000 above the budget request to address PFOS and PFOA cleanup. The Secretary of Defense is directed to submit a spend plan no later than 60 days after enactment of this Act regarding the use of these additional funds.

There remains concern about the extent of PFOS/PFOA contamination at U.S. military installations. While this division only covers military installations funded through the BRAC account that are affected by PFOS/PFOA, the issue is not limited to the Department of Defense and affects many communities across the Nation. The Department is directed to engage the Environmental Protection Agency as it evaluates the need for a maximum containment level, as provided by the Safe Drinking Water Act, as well as designate these chemicals as hazardous under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act, and to keep the Committees apprised of new findings of PFOS/PFOA at BRAC sites.

## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### FAMILY HOUSING

#### Item of Interest

*Housing Support and Management Costs.*— The agreement includes section 129 under Administrative Provisions that provides an additional \$60,000,000 above the budget request for Family Housing Support and Management Costs to enhance the Services' ability to provide oversight and management and hire personnel to track current and future issues that affect military family housing.

#### FAMILY HOUSING CONSTRUCTION, ARMY

The agreement provides \$119,400,000 for “Family Housing Construction, Army”, which is the same as the budget request.

#### FAMILY HOUSING OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, ARMY

The agreement provides \$352,342,000 for “Family Housing Operation and Maintenance, Army”, which is \$14,800,000 less than the budget request.

#### FAMILY HOUSING CONSTRUCTION, NAVY AND MARINE CORPS

The agreement provides \$42,897,000 for “Family Housing Construction, Navy and Marine Corps”, which is the same as the budget request.

#### FAMILY HOUSING OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, NAVY AND MARINE CORPS

The agreement provides \$346,493,000 for “Family Housing Operation and Maintenance, Navy and Marine Corps”, which is the same as the budget request.

#### FAMILY HOUSING CONSTRUCTION, AIR FORCE

The agreement provides \$97,214,000 for “Family Housing Construction, Air Force”, which is the same as the budget request.

#### FAMILY HOUSING OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, AIR FORCE

The agreement provides \$317,021,000 for “Family Housing Operation and Maintenance, Air Force”, which is the same as the budget request.

FAMILY HOUSING OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, DEFENSE-WIDE

The agreement provides \$54,728,000 for “Family Housing Operation and Maintenance, Defense-Wide”, which is the same as the budget request.

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE  
FAMILY HOUSING IMPROVEMENT FUND

The agreement provides \$5,897,000 for the “Department of Defense Family Housing Improvement Fund”, which is the same as the budget request.

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE  
MILITARY UNACCOMPANIED HOUSING IMPROVEMENT FUND

The agreement provides \$600,000 for the “Department of Defense Military Unaccompanied Housing Improvement Fund”, which is the same as the budget request.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS

(Including Transfers and Rescissions of Funds)

The agreement includes section 101 limiting the use of funds under a cost-plus-a-fixed-fee contract.

The agreement includes section 102 allowing the use of construction funds in this title for hire of passenger motor vehicles.

The agreement includes section 103 allowing the use of construction funds in this title for advances to the Federal Highway Administration for the construction of access roads.

The agreement includes section 104 prohibiting construction of new bases in the United States without a specific appropriation.

The agreement includes section 105 limiting the use of funds for the purchase of land or land easements that exceed 100 percent of the value.

The agreement includes section 106 prohibiting the use of funds, except funds appropriated in this title for that purpose, for family housing.

The agreement includes section 107 limiting the use of minor construction funds to transfer or relocate activities.

The agreement includes section 108 prohibiting the procurement of steel unless American producers, fabricators, and manufacturers have been allowed to compete.

The agreement includes section 109 prohibiting the use of construction or family housing funds to pay real property taxes in any foreign nation.

The agreement includes section 110 prohibiting the use of funds to initiate a new installation overseas without prior notification.

The agreement includes section 111 establishing a preference for American architectural and engineering services for overseas projects.

The agreement includes section 112 establishing a preference for American contractors in United States territories and possessions in the Pacific and on Kwajalein Atoll and in countries bordering the Arabian Gulf.

The agreement includes section 113 requiring congressional notification of military exercises when construction costs exceed \$100,000.

The agreement includes section 114 allowing funds appropriated in prior years for new projects authorized during the current session of Congress.

The agreement includes section 115 allowing the use of expired or lapsed funds to pay the cost of supervision for any project being completed with lapsed funds.

The agreement includes section 116 allowing military construction funds to be available for five years.

The agreement includes section 117 allowing the transfer of funds from Family Housing Construction accounts to the Family Housing Improvement Program.

The agreement includes section 118 allowing transfers to the Homeowners Assistance Fund.

The agreement includes section 119 limiting the source of operation and maintenance funds for flag and general officer quarters and allowing for notification by electronic medium. The provision also requires an annual report on the expenditures of each quarters.

The agreement includes section 120 extending the availability of funds in the Ford Island Improvement Account.

The agreement includes section 121 allowing the transfer of expired funds to the Foreign Currency Fluctuations, Construction, Defense account.

The agreement includes section 122 allowing for the reprogramming of construction funds among projects and activities subject to certain criteria.

The agreement includes section 123 prohibiting the obligation or expenditure of funds provided to the Department of Defense for military construction for projects at Arlington National Cemetery.

The agreement includes section 124 providing additional construction funds for various Military Construction accounts.

The agreement includes section 125 directing all amounts appropriated to “Military Construction, Army”, “Military Construction, Navy and Marine Corps”, “Military Construction, Air Force”, and “Military Construction, Defense-Wide” accounts be immediately available and allotted for the full scope of authorized projects.

The agreement includes section 126 rescinding funds from prior Appropriation Acts from various accounts.

The agreement includes section 127 defining the congressional defense committees.

The agreement includes section 128 providing additional funding for various Military Construction accounts to complete prior appropriated military construction projects and the funding is available through fiscal year 2023 and requires approval from Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress prior to obligation

The agreement includes section 129 providing additional funds for Family Housing Support and Management Costs through fiscal year 2023.

The agreement includes section 130 prohibiting the use of funds in this Act to close or realign Naval Station Guantanamo Bay, Cuba. The provision is intended to prevent the closure or realignment of the installation out of the possession of the United States and maintain the Naval Station’s long-standing regional security and migrant operations missions.

The agreement includes section 131 restricting funds in the Act to be used to consolidate or relocate any element of Air Force Rapid Engineer Deployable Heavy Operational Repair Squadron Engineer until certain conditions are met.

The agreement includes section 132 providing additional funds for planning and design, for improving military installation resilience.

The agreement includes section 133 providing additional funds for Military Construction, Navy and Marine Corps for child development center construction.

The agreement includes section 134 rescinding and re-appropriating available funding from the Defense-Wide construction account to make necessary funding available for previously authorized and appropriated Defense Health Agency projects.

## TITLE II DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

### Items of Special Interest

*Transition from Active Duty to Civilian Life.*—The network of support surrounding a servicemember as they transition out of the military, and the ability of transitioning servicemembers, veterans, and their families to access resources through community-built networks, including public-private partnerships, are critical components to success. The Department, in consultation with the Departments of Defense and Labor, is encouraged to partner with community non-profit programs, including faith-based programs, that provide wraparound employment and counseling services to veterans and their families, including high-risk veterans, to ensure they have a successful transition to civilian life. The Department shall provide an update on these efforts to the Committees on Appropriations within 180 days of enactment of this Act.

*Veteran Data Analytics.*—While data on veteran insights are currently used for evidence-based policy decision-making and high-level analysis, more timely and operationally relevant data would better integrate Veterans Experience Office and Veterans Benefits Administration operations. VA is directed to submit a report to the Committees within 180 days of enactment of

this Act detailing how it measures effectiveness of current outreach to veterans, how integration of data and analytics improved outreach and response from veterans, and how the development of analytics and data infrastructure can be implemented to better target how and when in a veteran's life to present information.

*Waste, Fraud and Abuse Prevention System.*—As noted in House Report 116-445, the Department continues to face challenges preventing fraud, waste, and abuse (FWA) and is encouraged to establish a Department-wide fraud prevention system (FPS) that uses predictive modeling and other analytics to identify and prevent FWA. The Department is encouraged to establish this system, within the VA Central Office, for the Veterans Health Administration to use beginning in fiscal year 2022. The Department is directed to submit to the Committees on Appropriations and Veterans' Affairs of both Houses of Congress a report no later than 180 days after enactment of this Act on the status of FPS integration, including recommendations on expanding the FPS tool enterprise wide.

*Asset and Infrastructure Review (AIR) Commission.*—The John S. McCain III, Daniel K. Akaka, and Samuel R. Johnson VA Maintaining Internal Systems and Strengthening Integrated Outside Networks (MISSION) Act of 2018 (P.L. 115-182) established an Asset and Infrastructure Review Commission to begin work in 2022. This Commission should take into account recent accessibility changes within VA and among community providers, as well as VA's emergency response role. The Department should not accelerate the establishment of the Commission, or its work, but should abide by the timeline established by the MISSION Act. Moreover, the Department is directed to provide to the Committees on Appropriations and Veterans' Affairs of both Houses of Congress, within 90 days of enactment of this Act, a report on the status and progress in developing the criteria and completing the market assessments.

*Use of Authority to Convert Non-Medical Services to Contract Performance by Native Hawaiian Organizations or Indian Tribes.*—Due to the lack of utilization of the Native Hawaiian contracting authority in Section 237 of Division F of Public Law 116-94, the Department may not have done a sufficient job at making eligible communities aware of the opportunity. The Department is directed, within 120 days of enactment of this Act, to provide to the Committees

on Appropriations a plan for providing information to relevant communities about their eligibility for this opportunity.

*Center for Native Hawaiian, Pacific Islander and U.S.-Affiliated Pacific Islander Health.*—The Committees recognize the significant contributions of Native Hawaiian (NH), Pacific Islander (PI), and U.S.-Affiliated Pacific Islander (USAPI) servicemembers in the U.S. military and the high number of NH/PI/USAPI veterans. In addition to the direction included on Vet Center Services in House Report 116-445, within one year of enactment of this Act, the Department is directed to provide the Committees on Appropriations with a feasibility study on the establishment of a VA Center for Native Hawaiian, Pacific Islander, and U.S.-Affiliated Pacific Islander Health to focus on research, service, and education to improve the lives of NH, PI, and USAPI veterans.

*Unobligated Balances of Expired Discretionary Funds.*—The Department is directed to submit to the Committees on Appropriations quarterly reports detailing all unobligated balances of expired discretionary funds by fiscal year.

*Federal Law Enforcement.*—The agreement notes that the explanatory statement accompanying the Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2021 directs the Attorney General to ensure implementation of evidence-based training programs on de-escalation and the use-of-force, as well as on police-community relations, that are broadly applicable and scalable to all Federal law enforcement agencies. The agreement further notes that several agencies funded by this Act employ Federal law enforcement officers and are Federal Law Enforcement Training Centers partner organizations. The agreement directs such agencies to consult with the Attorney General regarding the implementation of these programs for their law enforcement officers. The agreement further directs such agencies to brief the Committees on Appropriations on their efforts relating to such implementation no later than 90 days after consultation with the Attorney General. In addition, the agreement directs such agencies, to the extent that they are not already participating, to consult with the Attorney General and the Director of the FBI regarding participation in the National Use-of-Force Data Collection. The

agreement further directs such agencies to brief the Committees on Appropriations, no later than 90 days after enactment of this Act, on their current efforts to so participate.

VETERANS BENEFITS ADMINISTRATION  
COMPENSATION AND PENSIONS  
(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

The agreement provides \$130,227,650,000 for Compensation and Pensions in advance for fiscal year 2022. Of the amount provided, not more than \$20,115,000 is to be transferred to General Operating Expenses, Veterans Benefits Administration (VBA) and Information Technology Systems for reimbursement of necessary expenses in implementing provisions of title 38. The agreement also provides \$6,110,251,552 for fiscal year 2021 in addition to the advance appropriation provided last year.

The Department's execution of the Compensation and Pensions account in fiscal year 2020 was extremely troubling. First, VA seemed unaware of period of availability constraints for a portion of their funding until the month that the fiscal year ended. Second, although aware of an error on their part that led to a further period of availability constraint, VBA took no action to address it or to make accounting adjustments early enough to prevent the possibility of payments to veterans being delayed in fiscal year 2021. While Congressional action prevented veteran payments from being impacted, the Department must be more attentive to ensure that this needless risk is not repeated in the future. As part of Congressional action to correct this issue, the agreement includes bill language to allow recovered funds from fiscal year 2020 to be available until expended. The Department is directed to provide to the Committees on Appropriations a plan to address the required accounting adjustments and reconciliation related to fiscal year 2020 benefit payments no later than 60 days after enactment of this Act.

*Gulf War Veterans Claims for Service-Connected Disability Compensation.*—The Department's continued high rates of denial of Gulf War veterans' claims for undiagnosed illnesses and chronic multi-symptom illnesses is concerning. The Department is directed to submit a report to the Committees on Appropriations no later than 180 days after enactment of

this Act on VA's efforts to improve the grant rate for Gulf War illness disability claims as defined in Government Accountability Office (GAO) report GAO-17-511, as well as the advisability and feasibility of eliminating the deadline for filing Gulf War presumptive claims under 38 CFR 3.317.

#### READJUSTMENT BENEFITS

The agreement provides \$14,946,618,000 for Readjustment Benefits in advance for fiscal year 2022.

*Adaptive Automobile Grants.*—The Department is directed to provide a report on the feasibility and advisability, including a cost estimate, for providing an eligible individual with an additional adaptive automobile grant or other conveyance if 10 years have elapsed since the date on which the eligible individual received the immediately previous such automobile grant, other conveyance, or assistance. This report shall be provided to the Committees on Appropriations within 270 days of enactment of this Act.

*GI Bill Comparison Tool.*—As described in House Report 116-445, the agreement strongly urges VA to make available through the GI Bill Comparison Tool information on whether an institution of higher education is a minority serving institution, a gender-specific institution, or a religiously-affiliated school, including relevant subcategories.

#### VETERANS INSURANCE AND INDEMNITIES

The agreement provides \$136,950,000 for Veterans Insurance and Indemnities in advance for fiscal year 2022. The agreement also provides \$2,148,000 for fiscal year 2021 in addition to the advance appropriation provided last year.

#### VETERANS HOUSING BENEFIT PROGRAM FUND

The agreement provides such sums as may be necessary for costs associated with direct and guaranteed loans for the Veterans Housing Benefit Program Fund. The agreement limits obligations for direct loans to not more than \$500,000 and provides that \$204,400,000 shall be available for administrative expenses.

#### VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION LOANS PROGRAM ACCOUNT

The agreement provides \$33,826 for the cost of direct loans from the Vocational Rehabilitation Loans Program Account, plus \$424,272 to be paid to the appropriation for General Operating Expenses, Veterans Benefits Administration. The agreement provides for a direct loan limitation of \$2,469,522.

#### NATIVE AMERICAN VETERAN HOUSING LOAN PROGRAM ACCOUNT

The agreement provides \$1,186,000 for administrative expenses of the Native American Veteran Housing Loan Program Account.

#### GENERAL OPERATING EXPENSES, VETERANS BENEFITS ADMINISTRATION

The agreement provides \$3,180,000,000 for General Operating Expenses, Veterans Benefits Administration and, of the amount provided, up to 10 percent is available for obligation until September 30, 2022.

The funds provided support timely processing of claims, including those under the Blue Water Navy Vietnam Veterans Act (Public Law 116–23).

*Equitable Relief.*—As described in House Report 116-445, the Secretary is directed to continue to grant or extend equitable relief to eligible veterans initially deemed eligible in instances of administrative error.

*Open Air Burn Pit Claims.*—The Secretary is directed to provide a report on the rate of denial of benefit claims related to burn pits exposure. The report should include information on

all conditions for which veterans filed a benefits claim related to their burn pits exposure, aggregated information on the locations veterans are claiming for burn pit exposure, and the causes for claims denials. This report should be provided to the Committees on Appropriations within 180 days of enactment of this Act.

*Efforts to Combat Veteran Underemployment.*—The Department, in conjunction with the Department of Labor, is directed to review efforts to combat veteran underemployment, and to provide a report to the Committees on Appropriations within 180 days of enactment of this Act.

*Solid Start Study.*—The agreement urges VA, in consultation with the Department of Defense, to conduct a study on the feasibility of, and resources necessary for, expansion of the Solid Start program to include all healthcare-eligible veterans, no matter when they transitioned out of service, to ensure more veterans are aware of their earned benefits and diminish barriers to VA mental healthcare. Information about eligibility for healthcare and other benefits operated outside of VBA should be provided.

*GI Bill Apprenticeships and On-the-Job-Training.*—VA is urged to take additional actions to promote awareness and increased utilization of apprenticeships and on-the-job training (OJT) programs, including continued coordination and support to State Approving Agencies (SAAs) and programs which may incentivize increased participation by employers. The agreement recommends additional support and resources be provided to SAAs for the purpose of increasing awareness and utilization of apprenticeships and OJT. The Department is encouraged to explore options to expand the program in the future, while ensuring proper oversight of SAA contracts.

*Flight Training Approval Process.*—The agreement directs the Department to conduct a comprehensive review of its current approval process of flight training programs for Post-9/11 GI Bill benefits within 180 days of the enactment of this Act. During the review, VA is recommended to consult with the Federal Aviation Administration, Part 141 pilot schools and other institutions accredited by the Aviation Accreditation Board International in order to develop a simplified and streamlined approval process. Within 60 days of completion, the Department shall provide a report on the outcomes of the review to the Committees on Appropriations.

*Expansion of Benefits to Laotian and Hmong Special Guerilla Unit Veterans.*—The Department is directed to assess the feasibility and advisability, including a cost estimate, of expanding eligibility for VA benefits to individuals determined by the Secretary to have served honorably in Laotian and Hmong Special Guerilla Units and other irregular forces in support of the United States during the Vietnam War. This review should be submitted to the Committees on Appropriations no later than one year after enactment of this Act.

#### VETERANS HEALTH ADMINISTRATION

*Care for All Veterans.*—VA is recognized for its invaluable role in serving the unique needs of veterans, and a strong and fully-resourced Veterans Health Administration (VHA) is necessary to effectively serve them. The Secretary is directed to conduct an analysis and provide a report and cost projection to the Committees on Appropriations including the total cost of providing all necessary healthcare to all eligible veterans within VHA. The report should include costs for the required infrastructure, staffing, and other supportive services necessary to accomplish that goal, and should be provided to the Committees within one year of enactment of this Act.

*National Center for Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder.*—The agreement supports the mission and work of the National Center for Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) and provides \$40,000,000, which includes \$10,000,000 for the coordination of the VA National PTSD Brain Bank, to continue the center's advancement of the clinical care and social welfare of America's veterans, through research, education, and training in the science, diagnosis, and treatment of PTSD and stress-related disorders.

*VA Facility Issues.*—The Committees have provided funding for a number of facility construction, donation, lease, partnership, and renovation projects over the past several fiscal years that VA has not been able to execute. This is a growing and troubling trend. The Committees expect VA to efficiently utilize the funding provided for all projects. Recognizing that the primary obstacle is not related to appropriations, the Committees direct the Department

to work with the Office of Management and Budget and Congress, including the Budget and Veterans Affairs Committees of the House and Senate, to resolve the issues that inhibit VA's ability to execute leases for medical, research and administrative offices and facilities.

House Report 116-445 requests that VA provide reports regarding major medical leases, plans to address high-enrollee growth areas, research facility infrastructure needs, and opportunities for partnerships between small VA research programs and academic programs that do not receive significant Federal research investments. The agreement directs the Department to provide these reports within 180 days after enactment of this Act.

*Innovative Research Partnership Demonstration.*—New models of interdisciplinary research require intense collaboration among multiple fields in order to discover critical therapies, diagnostic agents, and novel genomic analyses ready for precision application at the bedside and in the exam room. The Department would benefit from partnerships with public research universities to enable the Department to lease space with a cutting edge, state or local government-owned research property and facility. Within 60 days of enactment of this Act the Department is directed to provide to the Committees on Appropriations an implementation plan, including cost estimate, for a demonstration program to pursue partnerships with one or more public research universities. The plan should focus on institutions with existing affiliations with the Department and deemed to be a high-quality opportunity; set aside the criteria of seeking a segregated “VA space”; and identify and propose resolution of any barriers to implementation. The Department is encouraged to focus on public universities located in states without a VA Center of Innovation. The agreement recommends that VA plan within a scope that does not exceed \$50,000,000 over five years.

*Expansion of the Civilian Health and Medical Program of VA (CHAMPVA).*—The Department is directed to provide a report on the feasibility and advisability, including cost estimates, for providing medical care under CHAMPVA to eligible children up to age 26 regardless of student or marital status. The Department should provide this report no later than 270 days after enactment of this Act.

*Reduce the Misuse of Drug Therapies.*—The agreement urges VA to implement a comprehensive medical selection, adherence, compliance and digital education program for veterans suffering from mental health issues, including PTSD and the long-term side-effects of increased exposure to traumatic brain injury, through the utilization of cutting-edge, off-the-shelf technology and pharmacy management protocols to reduce suicide, relapse and hospital visits.

*Alternative Treatments.*—As noted in House Report 116-445, VA should continue efforts, such as prescription practices, to reduce opioid use among veterans. Further, VA is encouraged to expand the use of alternative treatments for pain management in its delivery of healthcare services.

*Access to Clinical Trials.*—The agreement directs the Department to provide a report on veterans access to clinical trials, including the current process and ways in which the process can be improved and expanded, within 180 days of enactment of this Act.

#### MEDICAL SERVICES

The agreement provides \$58,897,219,000 in advance for fiscal year 2022 for Medical Services, with \$1,500,000,000 available through fiscal year 2023. The agreement provides an additional \$497,468,000 above the fiscal year 2021 advance appropriation for the Medical Services account. The agreement includes bill language requiring the Secretary to ensure that sufficient amounts are available for the acquisition of prosthetics designed specifically for female veterans.

#### Caregivers Support

The agreement includes \$1,195,486,000 for VA's Caregivers Program, and notes that the expansion of the program was implemented significantly behind schedule. VA is expected to dedicate this funding to the program, to not divert the resources to other areas, and is required to provide notification to the Committees of any reprogramming of this funding.

The requirement for quarterly reporting on obligations is continued and must be broadened to include information about program expansion, including the number of downgrades, terminations, and denials of eligibility under the Department's new regulations. The Department is further directed to provide to the Committees within 180 days of enactment of this Act, a detailed accounting of the impacts of the Department's changes to the tier structure and stipend calculations, including the number of caregivers who will see reductions in their benefits.

Within 180 days of enactment of this Act, the Department must further provide to the Committees, a summary of the findings from the survey completed in fiscal year 2020 of caregivers who seek the financial planning services required under the MISSION Act (P. L. 115-182), and the plan that was developed to monitor this issue.

#### Mental Health and Suicide Prevention

*Mental Health and Suicide Prevention.*—The agreement provides \$10,277,500,000 in discretionary funds for mental health programs, which is \$20,000,000 above the budget request, and includes \$312,635,000 for suicide prevention outreach. In addition to the direction provided in House Report 116-445, the agreement directs the Department to submit a report no later than 60 days after enactment of this Act detailing the Department's suicide prevention strategy, including the use of faith-based programming, steps the Department is taking to target interventions with at-risk veterans before they are at a crisis point, and the effectiveness of actions taken to date.

*Use of Machine Learning Software to Prevent Veteran Suicide.*—The Department is encouraged, in coordination with the Office of Mental Health and the Office of Suicide Prevention, to explore the use of cloud agnostic automated machine learning capabilities to rapidly provide predictive analysis to stop suicides before they occur. The Department should consult with data analytical firms and other government agencies that use predictive analytics on how best to apply them to prevent suicide.

*Veterans Crisis Line.*—The Department is urged to ensure the Veterans Crisis Line is able to utilize geolocation capabilities in order to ensure accurate emergency dispatch to persons at risk of imminent harm to self or others, similar to those of 911 call centers.

*VetsCorp.*—The Committees are displeased that the Department has disregarded the intent of the language included in the Explanatory Statement accompanying the Further Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2020 (P.L. 116-94) regarding the VetsCorp pilot program. Although VA has other outreach programs, a key and unique aspect of VetsCorp is that veterans themselves, working with VA, proactively seek out and connect with veterans in their communities who have not been served by the Department, in order to help connect them with available programs and services. VA should track veterans brought into the system through this outreach. The agreement emphasizes the importance of this concept and reiterates the direction included in House Report 116-445 on this topic.

#### Preventing Veteran Homelessness

The agreement includes \$1,908,769,000 in support of programs to prevent veteran homelessness.

*Supportive Services for Veterans Families (SSVF).*—The agreement provides \$420,000,000 for grant awards in fiscal year 2022, and directs the Department to ensure that an appropriate amount of SSVF grants are awarded to organizations that provide services to support women veterans. Further, the Department is directed to provide a plan to the Committees within 120 days of enactment of this Act, for ensuring grant recipients and veterans who have received SSVF support from any funding source in fiscal years 2020 and 2021 will not face an abrupt reduction in support from VA at the end of fiscal year 2021, despite continued needs.

*Department of Housing and Urban Development-Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing (HUD-VASH).*—The Department, in consultation with HUD, is directed to provide a report that includes the following information: (1) the number of case managers with temporary or permanent appointments, full and part time status, and the number of vacant case manager

positions by VA Medical Center and state; (2) the number of vouchers requested by and the number of vouchers awarded to Public Housing Agencies by VA Medical Center and state; (3) the rate of voucher utilization by VA Medical Center and state; (4) an explanation of any barriers to full utilization of vouchers, such as an inadequate stock of affordable housing, insufficient number of case managers, landlord refusal of vouchers, and reservation for prioritization of high acuity veterans; (5) whether localities that have approved exceptions to the fair market rent have better utilization rates; (6) whether outcomes differ for veterans who are case managed by local contractors or VA Medical Center staff; and (7) a summary of veteran outcomes in terms of sustained vs. un-sustained housing placements, connection to employment/income, healthcare, and other benefits by VA Medical Center. The report shall further outline efforts VA is taking to increase hiring and retention, including through the use of incentives and educational loan forgiveness; and what proactive steps VA might take to fill the case management workforce pipeline. The report shall include a feasibility assessment of individual VA Medical Centers developing workforce training partnerships with community colleges or universities. This report shall be provided to the House and Senate Appropriations Subcommittees on Military Construction, Veterans Affairs and Related Agencies and the Subcommittees on Transportation, Housing and Urban Development and Related Agencies no later than 270 days after enactment of this Act.

*Redistribution of Unallocated HUD-VASH Voucher Funds.*—The Secretary is encouraged to issue waivers where necessary to prevent Public Housing Agencies from being restricted from future HUD-VASH allocations due to vouchers going unused because of insufficient referrals from VA. The Department, in consultation with HUD, is directed to submit a report to the House and Senate Appropriations Subcommittees on Military Construction, Veterans Affairs and Related Agencies and the Subcommittees on Transportation, Housing and Urban Development and Related Agencies recommending possible methods to redistribute unallocated HUD-VASH voucher funds. The report shall include a determination of the feasibility of issuing a new solicitation of participation for unallocated HUD-VASH vouchers and should be provided to the Committees no later than 270 days after enactment of this Act.

*Homeless Providers Grant and Per Diem (GPD) Program.*—The agreement supports the goal of ending veteran homelessness by ensuring veterans access to permanent, affordable housing of their choice. However, the Department should continue to make funding available for service-intensive GPD beds based on a collaborative process with local housing partners, local VA Medical Centers, and the Continuums of Care. The Department is directed to submit a report to the Committees on Appropriations no later than 180 days after enactment of this Act on the Department’s plan to ensure continued access to transitional housing assistance for veterans, particularly in rural or highly rural areas, once the Department has determined that veteran homelessness is at or near “functional zero”. The agreement includes \$270,000,000 for the GPD program, which is \$4,861,000 above the request.

*Veteran Treatment Courts (VTC).*— VA is directed to produce a report, in coordination with the Department of Justice, on the feasibility of sharing information between Departments on veterans in the justice system, including sex, age, time of service, whether deployed, education, type of offense, sentence, completion of VTC, completion of sentence, and recidivism. The Committees understand that additional efforts have been made to assist veterans who are parents and this report should include details about this type of programming. The report shall also assess whether this type of information sharing may help leaders become more aware of the effectiveness of VTCs and make recommendations regarding the allocation of additional support and resources. This report shall be provided to the Committees within 270 days of enactment of this Act.

#### VHA Staffing and Clinical Workforce Issues

For several years, the Committees have expressed concern with the Department’s ability to hire and retain physicians, physician assistants, nurses, mental health providers, other healthcare professionals, and related support staff. The Committees appreciate VA’s efforts to address these concerns but believe a different reporting approach is necessary to provide a complete understanding of the scope of the issues.

As such, in lieu of the reporting requirements included in the Explanatory Statement accompanying the Further Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2020 (P.L. 116-94) and House Report 116-445, the Committees direct the Department to prepare a detailed, comprehensive report to be provided no later than June 30, 2021, for fiscal year 2020 data and no later than January 31 for each fiscal year thereafter, that identifies its most pressing workforce issues, and efforts the Department is taking to address these gaps. Among other topics, the report should cover workforce issues related to critical occupation staffing shortages, as identified by the Office of Inspector General (OIG #19-00346-241); mental health providers; physician assistants; orthotic and prosthetic professionals; and intermediate care technicians.

Recognizing that the adequacy of Patient-Aligned Care Teams, the particular staffing needs of rural and remote areas and credentialing are not captured within the personnel system but are important to the delivery of healthcare to veterans, the Committees direct the Department to provide a report on efforts being taken related to these issues in accordance with the timeline directed above.

In addition, the Committees maintain it is critical that VHA develop a staffing model to better understand and more quickly address staffing needs across the organization, particularly in critical need occupations. The Department is encouraged to include recommendations in the report to address its workforce issues.

The Committees look forward to working with the Department to develop a consistent format for this report that is useful for Congress, the Administration, veterans, and the public. Recognizing that information needs may change, the Committees note that specific reporting requirements may vary from fiscal year to fiscal year.

### Rural Healthcare

*Office of Rural Health.*—The agreement notes that veterans residing in rural and remote areas face unique barriers to receiving high-quality mental health, primary healthcare, and specialty care services. While enhanced community care programs offer veterans increased flexibility to obtain care close to home, often this same gap in services exists in the private

market in rural and remote communities. The Office of Rural Health (ORH) and its Rural Health Initiative have played a critical role in assisting VA in its efforts to increase access to care. Therefore, the agreement provides \$300,000,000 for ORH and the Rural Health Initiative.

In addition to the direction regarding rural health included in House Report 116-445, the Department is reminded of the study and report required in Senate Report 115-269 requiring an analysis of the effects of the Veterans Transportation Service on health outcomes for veterans.

*Rural Health Continuity of Care.*—The Committees encourage the Department to sustain continuity of care for rural veterans through provider agreements, based on previous models, such as the Access Received Closer to Home program, to ensure veterans do not experience a lapse in existing healthcare access during the transition to the Veterans Community Care Program and Community Care Networks. The Committees continue to support enabling the Department to enter into provider agreements with non-VA long-term care providers, including skilled nursing facilities, as appropriate.

#### Telehealth and Connected Care

The agreement provides \$1,329,566,000 to sustain and increase telehealth capacity, including in rural and highly rural areas. In 2020, out of necessity, VA expanded telehealth access for veterans significantly, but the resulting benefits to veterans warrant these efforts becoming more permanent. Within 180 days of enactment of this Act, the Department is directed to provide a report to the Committees on Appropriations on the expansion of telehealth undertaken in 2020, any lessons learned, and the feasibility of making these changes permanent. Further, the Department is directed to provide the Committees with a plan to address the future telehealth needs of the organization, including the effects of anticipated trends and effects on community care, as well as efforts to provide telehealthcare for veterans who lack reliable broadband access.

#### Gender-Specific Care for Women

*Gender-Specific Care for Women.*—The agreement includes \$660,691,000 for gender-specific care for women, which is \$35,000,000 above the budget request. The additional \$35,000,000 is provided for the purpose of expanding programmatic support for women’s healthcare, and includes \$1,000,000 for peer support programs for women veterans, as described in House Report 116-445. The Department is directed to provide a spend plan detailing all planned activities related to care for women veterans to the Committees no later than 90 days after enactment of this Act and requires quarterly briefings to the Committees on the expenditure of the funding. The Department is reminded of the annual reporting requirement included in the Joint Explanatory Statement accompanying Public Law 116-94 related to women’s healthcare facilities.

*Sexual Assault and Harassment at VA Facilities.*—In addition to the direction provided in House Report 116-445, the Department is directed to conduct a report on incidents of reported sexual harassment and assault by veterans at VA facilities, and to develop a plan to address this issue no later than one year after enactment of this Act.

*Barriers to Women’s Care.*—The Department is directed to provide a report within 180 days of enactment of this Act, detailing the corrective actions taken to address each of the challenges outlined in the VA Office of Women’s Health Services’ 2015 report titled, “Barriers to Women’s Care.”

*Women Veterans Healthcare Programs and Contact Call Center.*— Rather than the House directive under the heading “*Women Veterans Contact Call Center,*” the Committees look forward to working with the Department to support the call center, as authorized, and other new women’s healthcare programs and request a report within 180 days of enactment of the Act regarding future plans for the call center.

*Assisted Reproductive Services.*—The agreement does not include the House directive.

*Fertility Treatment and Infertility Services Report.*—In lieu of the reporting requirements and directives under the headings “Fertility Treatment” and “Infertility Services”, the agreement directs the Department to provide a report within 180 days of enactment of this Act regarding the fertility treatment and counseling furnished by VA over the past five fiscal years. The report should include the following: (1) the number of Veterans who received fertility treatment or counseling furnished by the Department of Veterans Affairs, disaggregated by era of military service of such Veterans; (2) the number of spouses of Veterans who received fertility treatment or counseling furnished by the Department; (3) the cost to the Department of furnishing fertility treatment and counseling, disaggregated by cost of services and administration; (4) the average cost to the Department per recipient of fertility treatment and counseling; (5) in cases in which the Department furnished fertility treatment through the use of assisted reproductive technology, the average number of cycles per person furnished, disaggregated by type of treatment; (6) a description of how fertility treatment and counseling services of the Department are coordinated with similar services of the Department of Defense; and (7) the number of women veterans who are ineligible for in vitro fertilization treatment or other forms of assisted reproductive services currently provided by the Department for certain veterans, disaggregated by state of residence, race, age, and marital status.

## Opioid Safety Initiatives and Substance Use Disorder Care

To continue to build upon opioid reduction efforts and safety initiatives, the agreement includes \$503,660,000 for Opioid Prevention and Treatment programs at VA. This includes \$382,848,000 for prevention and treatment programs, and \$120,812,000 to continue implementation of the Comprehensive Addiction and Recovery Act of 2016 (P.L. 114–198).

*Office of Patient Advocacy.*—Within 90 days of enactment of this Act, the Department is directed to provide an updated report to the Committees on Appropriations and Veterans’ Affairs of both Houses of Congress on its progress implementing the patient advocacy sections of Public Law 114–198. The report should include detail regarding the specific training and instructions that Patient Advocates are given on how to escalate a concern outside of a VA facility when they believe a VA facility is not acting in the best interest of the veteran.

## Whole Health

*Whole Health.*—The agreement provides \$73,600,000 for the Whole Health initiative, which is \$10,000,000 above the budget request. The Committees encourage the Department to continue to coordinate with the Department of Defense on this initiative. Within the total, the agreement includes \$5,000,000 for creative arts therapies, as described in House Report 116-445.

## Long-Term Care

*Long-Term Care.*—The agreement provides \$10,559,783,000 as requested by the Department for long-term care. This includes \$7,082,001,000 for institutional care and \$3,477,782,000 for non-institutional care. The agreement supports the Department’s efforts to broaden veterans’ options regarding non-institutional long-term care support and services, and to accommodate veterans’ preferences, as each veteran requires an individualized approach to care. VA is encouraged to continue cooperation with community, State, and Federal partners to expand these programs.

*Long-Term Care Projections.*—In addition to the Long-Term Care reports requested in House Report 116-445, the Department is directed to prepare a report on the current and projected needs for VA long-term care programs, to include both institutional and non-institutional care, and the workforce and cost estimates necessary to support it. This should include a cost-benefit analysis to determine the feasibility of incorporating assisted living models into VA's long-term care options. The report shall be provided to the Committees on Appropriations within 270 days of enactment of this Act.

*Long-Term Care for Veterans with Severe Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI).*—In addition to the requirement in the House Report 116-445, the Department is directed to consider entering into agreements to provide long-term specialty care for veterans suffering from severe TBIs where VA-provided direct care is not available.

*Hospice Care for Veterans.*—The Department is reminded of the direction in Public Law 115-244 regarding a pilot program to improve end-of-life care for combat veterans and Vietnam-era veterans. The Department is directed to provide a report within 90 days after enactment of this Act on the status of continued efforts to improve such care.

#### Other Health Issues

*Readjustment Counseling.*—The Department is directed to submit a report to the Committees no later than 180 days after enactment of this Act to highlight best practices of Vet Centers and Mobile Vet Centers, including partnerships to provide outdoor experiences, and to include a plan to disseminate the findings, as well as incorporate into criteria for additional sites. The report should also evaluate the standardization of the current application and selection process for these organizations across each district and based on these findings, provide recommendations to create selection standardization across each district in order to create a level playing field for all organizations offering outdoor experiences to Veterans. The agreement also notes that as Vet Centers are critical to veterans in every state, the Department should seek opportunities to hire additional counselors and establish additional Mobile Vet Centers.

*Veterans Exposed to Open Burn Pits and Airborne Hazards.*—In order to provide full and effective medical care, it is essential for the Department to better understand the effects that exposure to open burn pits and airborne hazards during service had on the health of veterans. Consistent with the language included in House Report 116-445, the agreement includes \$7,500,000 to carry out responsibilities and activities of the Airborne Hazards and Burn Pits Center of Excellence. Furthermore, the Committees support increased outreach to veterans to enroll in the Airborne Hazards and Open Burn Pits Registry.

*Molecular Diagnostics.*—The Department is directed to conduct an assessment of feasibility and advisability, including a cost estimate, of providing molecular diagnostics at the time of diagnosis as well as at the time of tumor recurrence for all cancer patients served by VHA. The Department should provide a report of this assessment, along with a summary of the current use of this treatment, no later than 270 days after enactment of this Act. The agreement provides up to \$5,000,000 to accelerate the adoption of molecular diagnostics for prostate and breast cancer, as directed in House Report 116-445.

*Epilepsy Center of Excellence.*—In lieu of the direction in House Report 116-445, the Department is directed to increase its investment to maintain and expand the Epilepsy Center of Excellence.

*Intimate Partner Violence.*—In addition to the direction in House Report 116-445, the agreement continues to direct the Department to include the Intimate Partner Violence Program as a program of interest with budget detail in the justifications accompanying future fiscal year budget submissions.

*Adaptive Sports.*—The agreement includes \$27,048,000 for National Veterans Sports Programs, including \$16,000,000 for adaptive sports programs, and recommends no less than \$1,500,000 for equine therapy. The Committees recognize that adaptive sports and recreational therapy provide a low-cost alternative to other healthcare services that produce similar health outcomes. The agreement directs the Department to provide a report to the Committees on the

feasibility and cost associated with expanding access to recreational therapy options to all veterans enrolled in VA care within 180 days of enactment of this Act.

*Dental Services.*—The Department is directed to conduct an assessment on the feasibility of ensuring that at least one VA Medical Center in each state is capable of providing all dental services to eligible veterans and the costs and advisability of expanding dental service eligibility beyond current eligibility requirements. This review should be submitted no later than 270 days after enactment of this Act.

*Access to Child Care.*—The Department is directed to conduct a survey of any existing contracts or other agreements related to child care that have been entered into by individual VA Medical Centers and Vet Centers and provide the results of this survey no later than 270 days after enactment of this Act.

*Lovell Federal Health Care Center.*—Given the unique nature of the Captain James A. Lovell Federal Health Care Center Demonstration Project joint VA–DOD facility, the agreement notes that there is significant potential to improve access, quality, and cost-effectiveness of healthcare delivery to veterans, servicemembers, and their families. The facility serves as a valuable site demonstrating comprehensive cooperation and interoperability between VA and DOD, and this integration effort must continue as the two Departments continue to roll out their respective electronic health record programs.

*Pilot Programs for Agritherapy.*—The agreement provides \$5,000,000 to continue a pilot program to train veterans in agricultural vocations, while also tending to behavioral and mental health needs with behavioral healthcare services and treatments by licensed providers at no fewer than three locations.

*Utilization Reporting.*—The agreement directs the Department to restore regular public reporting throughout the year of healthcare and benefits utilization, including by Gulf War and post-9/11 war veterans, and to publish these reports on the Department's website.

*Obsolete Personal Radio Paging Systems.*—Not later than 180 days after enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall furnish to the Committees a report that details the current status of Personal Radio Paging Systems at VA Medical Centers and a plan to upgrade or maintain paging equipment for operations over the next 10 years.

*Health Navigator Services.*—The Department is directed to provide a report on the feasibility and advisability, including a cost analysis, of implementing health navigator services throughout VHA for veteran beneficiaries. The Department is directed to provide this report within 180 days of enactment of this Act.

*Domiciliary Care Claims for Veterans with Early-Stage Dementia.*—VA is urged to take further actions to ensure veterans with early-stage dementia who would have been or had previously been deemed eligible for VA domiciliary care, but would not be under VA's current processing and treatment of claims, continue to receive care at suitable State Veterans Homes. This includes the use of any available programmatic or administrative authorities.

*Hyperbaric Oxygen Therapy.*—The Department is directed to report to the Committees within 60 days of the enactment of this Act on its findings on the short and long-term outcomes of veterans who completed treatment under the demonstration project to date.

*Standard of Care.*—The Committees encourage the Department to standardize surgical workflow solutions across all VA medical surgical facilities, as described on page 94 of House Report 116-445. The Department is directed to provide a report within 180 days of enactment of this Act on the benefits of implementing a standard of care for surgical services.

*Call Routing.*—The Committees are still receiving reports that veterans calling their community-based outpatient clinics (CBOC) to make an appointment are sometimes automatically routed to central call centers at VA medical centers with no follow-up by the local CBOCs after the initial call. The Department is directed to provide a report on clinical contact center modernization efforts to the Committees on Appropriations within 180 days of enactment of this Act.

## MEDICAL COMMUNITY CARE

The agreement provides \$20,148,244,000 in advance fiscal year 2022 funding for Medical Community Care, with \$2,000,000,000 available until September 30, 2023. The agreement provides an additional \$1,380,800,000 above the fiscal year 2021 advance appropriation for the Medical Community Care account.

*Utilization of Community Care Benefits.*—The Committees remain concerned about the Department’s inability to accurately project Veterans’ utilization of community care benefits. As such, the Department is directed to provide information about how they have complied with recommendations in GAO-20-669. Further, the agreement directs the Department to provide quarterly reports on the expenditures related to the MISSION Act for fiscal years 2020 and 2021, as well as an estimate of expenditures for each of the next five fiscal years. The reports should include information regarding costs by budget account and MISSION Act-affected community care, caregiver expansion, urgent care and other MISSION Act initiatives, as appropriate. The reports should include the number of veterans served by each authority for care outlined in section 1703(d) of title 38, United States Code, the cost of care broken out by authorities in section 1703(d), and the timeliness of care, on average.

The agreement further directs the Department to provide monthly reports identifying available resources, obligations, authorizations, and anticipated funding needs for the remainder of the fiscal year. The report should include detailed information on the timing of authorization of care and the obligation of funds. It also should provide data broken out by VISN on the number of referrals and completed appointments in-house and in the community, including timeliness.

The Department has made significant progress on efforts to eliminate the backlog of provider claims. In addition to the direction in House Report 116-445, within 60 days of enactment of this Act, the Department is directed to provide a plan to fully eliminate the backlog in provider claims, including the number of outstanding claims per state.

*Recording of Obligations.*—In fiscal year 2019, in coordination with the Office of Management and Budget, VA began to record obligations for community care at the time of payment to providers, rather than the prior practice of obligating at the time of authorization for care. This change in accounting practice did not affect the cost or quality of care. Earlier this year, VA determined its revised accounting practice was not allowed under current law and legislative language was required to continue the practice. In the absence of a legislative remedy, VA indicated it must revert back to the prior accounting practice, which would create a shortfall in the Medical Community Care account and require additional appropriations to maintain the Veterans Community Care program. However, the Administration failed to request the legislative remedy or funds to address this shortfall.

The agreement directs the Department to submit a report, no later than 15 days after the date of enactment of this Act, similar to the report required pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 1351, detailing how, under the prior accounting practice, the expenditures or obligations would have exceeded the amount available in fiscal year 2019 and fiscal year 2020 in the Medical Community Care appropriation. The report shall also include a proposal to address the inconsistency with current law and explain how the Department plans to avoid incurring obligations for the Medical Community Care appropriation in excess of its available budgetary resources in fiscal year 2021 and future fiscal years. This report should be completed in consultation with the Office of Management and Budget and provided to the Committees on Appropriations.

*Access to Community Dental Care.*—The Department is directed to take actions necessary to increase the number of dental care providers available to veterans in the community.

*Support for State Veterans Homes.*—The agreement directs the Government Accountability Office (GAO) to conduct a review of the relationship between the Department of Veterans Affairs and State Veterans Homes. The review should include an assessment of whether the current level of VA's support and oversight is appropriate, the feasibility and advisability of additional VA oversight of the day-to-day operations of State Veterans Homes and the anticipated cost of any increased oversight. The Committees encourage GAO to engage

state Veterans Affairs Agencies, state health regulatory agencies, nursing home care experts, as well as other state and Federal entities with expertise on the issues, in its review. The Committees request a report with recommendations within one year of the date of enactment of this Act.

*Long-Term Care Requirements.*—The Department is urged to work with the Departments of Labor and Health and Human Services to streamline Federal requirements pertaining to veterans and skilled nursing facilities and remove any unnecessary, duplicative requirements.

#### MEDICAL SUPPORT AND COMPLIANCE

The agreement provides \$8,403,117,000 in advance for fiscal year 2022 for Medical Support and Compliance, with \$200,000,000 available through fiscal year 2023. The agreement provides an additional \$300,000,000 above the fiscal year 2021 advance appropriation for the Medical Support and Compliance account.

*High Reliability Organization.*—The agreement does not provide funding for the high reliability organization initiative as requested in the budget request.

#### MEDICAL FACILITIES

The agreement provides \$6,734,680,000 in advance for fiscal year 2022 for Medical Facilities, of which \$350,000,000 is made available through fiscal year 2023. The agreement provides an additional \$150,000,000 above the fiscal year 2021 advance appropriation for the Medical Facilities account.

The agreement provides \$10,000,000 for women's health and mental health non-recurring maintenance (NRM) projects, as described in House Report 116-445. Within the mental health NRM projects, the agreement directs VA to prioritize construction to increase the number of beds available for overnight mental health treatment for veterans. The agreement directs the Department to submit an expenditure plan detailing how the planned use of funds will

meet the mental health and women's health expansion initiatives no later than 90 days after enactment of this Act.

*Community-Based Outpatient Clinic in Bakersfield, California.*—The Committees remain concerned about the continued delays in leasing a new community-based outpatient clinic in Bakersfield and remind the Department of the strict directions included in House Report 116-445.

*VA Energy Savings Performance Contract.*—The Department is strongly encouraged to provide sufficient resources to run the Energy Savings Performance Contract and Utility Energy Service Contract programs effectively and efficiently to reduce energy costs and improve facilities for veterans.

*Rate of Return on Alternative Energy Investments.*—The Committees are concerned about VA's procurement of alternative energy and the potential for the technology to be obsolete before full return on investment is achieved. Therefore, the agreement encourages the Secretary to assure that any new alternative energy project has a return on investment in 10 years or less.

*"Planning and Activating Community Based Outpatient Clinics" Handbook.*—The Committees remind the Department of the reporting requirement directed in Section 252 of Division F of Public Law 116-94.

#### MEDICAL AND PROSTHETIC RESEARCH

The agreement provides \$815,000,000 for Medical and Prosthetic Research, available until September 30, 2022. Bill language is included to ensure that the Secretary allocates adequate funding for prosthetic research specifically for female veterans and for toxic exposures.

*Veteran Access to Clinical Trials and Medical Research.*—As part of the research best practices report required by House Report 116-445, the Department shall include the following information for each VAMC: the status of the Office of Research and Development research

authorization; staffing levels of VAMC personnel administratively supporting the VAMC research program and personnel conducting research; the number of veterans in the service areas; a general characterization of VAMC service area (e.g., urban, rural); the total annual appropriation of intramural and extramural research funds; the annual distribution of Veterans Equitable Resource Allocation (VERA) research funds; a VERA per veteran metric; the number of Veterans participating in VA funded clinical trials; and the number of active clinical trials conducted.

*Neural-Enabled Prosthetics.*—The Committees understand the uniqueness of limb trauma injuries sustained by servicemembers in combat and support additional research in this area. Traumatic injury or neurological diseases can also significantly alter or impair the lifestyle of the individual and their caregivers. In lieu of the directive in House Report 116-445, the agreement directs VA to continue its efforts to fund and conduct research that will design and develop technology to offset the effects of limb amputation, orthopedic injury and disease, neuropathic pain, and other neurodegenerative diseases by partnering with colleges and universities that specialize in these fields. As the Department continues to expand an innovative program of neuroprosthetics research, the agreement directs the Department to provide a report within 180 days of enactment of this Act to the Committees on Appropriations on its efforts and how it will continue to expand this research.

*Spinal Cord Research.*—The Committees recognize the severity of spinal cord injuries sustained by servicemembers in combat and supports additional research in this area. The Department is encouraged to work with outside organizations on spinal cord injury translational research to improve the quality of life of impaired and disabled Veterans. Additional investment in spinal cord research could yield a long-term cost savings to VA through reduced healthcare costs and restore functional recovery to paralyzed veterans. In lieu of the directive in House Report 116-445, the agreement directs the Department to provide a report within 180 days of enactment of this Act to the Committees on Appropriations on its efforts to expand this research and opportunities to work with outside organizations.

*Enewetak Atoll Registry Research.*—The agreement urges the Department to study whether there is a connection between certain illnesses and the potential exposure of individuals to radiation related to service at Enewetak Atoll between January 1, 1977, and December 31, 1980.

*Karshi-Khanabad Toxic Exposure Study.*—The Committees are aware that veterans who served at the Karshi-Khanabad (K2) Airbase in Uzbekistan may be reporting unusually high incidents of rare cancers. The agreement supports additional analysis and research on the linkage between health effects and service at K2. VA is encouraged to work with the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry and DOD to collect data, research, and analyze any causation or correlation between exposure to toxicants at K2 and cancer or other diseases or illnesses experienced by veterans who served at K2 between October 7, 2001 and November 21, 2005.

*Gulf War Illnesses.*—The agreement directs the Department to submit a report to the Committees on Appropriations no later than 180 days after enactment of this Act on the progress of research related to the incidence and prevalence of brain cancer in Gulf War veterans, and any research related to respiratory illnesses experienced by veterans who served in the Persian Gulf, Iraq and Afghanistan.

*Canine Research.*—The agreement maintains the Administrative Provision included in Public Law 116–94 related to VA animal research. The Department is directed to provide to the Committees, within 180 days of enactment of this Act, a report outlining their efforts to address each of the recommendations in the National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine report on the Necessity, Use, and Care of Laboratory Dogs at the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs.

#### NATIONAL CEMETERY ADMINISTRATION

The agreement provides \$352,000,000 for the National Cemetery Administration (NCA). Of the amount provided, up to 10 percent is available until September 30, 2022. The

appropriated funding for NCA should be used to maintain existing cemeteries and to activate newly completed cemeteries.

*Prisoners of War Headstones.*—The Committees emphasize the presence of headstones of prisoners of war in Fort Sam Houston National Cemetery and Fort Douglas National Cemetery that feature swastikas and inscriptions honoring Adolf Hitler is extremely disturbing and note the Department has agreed to take immediate steps to swiftly replace these headstones with ones that do not feature Nazi insignia or inscriptions glorifying the Nazi regime. While the Department has initiated a consultation process under the National Historic Preservation Act, the agreement makes clear that this process should not unnecessarily delay the replacement of these headstones. As directed in House Report 116-445, VA is required to provide monthly reports on the status of the consultation process and the timeline for removal of these headstones to the Committees on Appropriations. The agreement further directs the Department to carefully craft the design and wording of planned signage for the gravesites of prisoners of war buried in U.S. cemeteries. It should provide the appropriate historical context but be sensitive to those most affected by it. The agreement therefore continues to direct VA to include details on its proposal to provide historical context for headstones of prisoners of war in its reports to the Committees on Appropriations.

*Rural Cemeteries.*—To improve access to cemeteries in rural areas, VA is directed to continue efforts to ensure that a burial option, including those utilizing public-private partnerships, within 75 miles of all Veteran homes is available and accessible. NCA Rural Initiative cemeteries help to support this goal. VA is directed to assess the potential for permanent infrastructure enhancements (e.g., wind screens, restrooms, storage facilities) at each Rural Initiative national cemetery site, based on location-specific needs, and provide a report to the Committees on Appropriations on the findings of this assessment no later than 180 days after enactment of this Act. VA is encouraged to enter into state, local or private partnerships to address the need for additional land and/or infrastructure to support and improve cemetery operations and committal services at Rural Initiative national cemeteries, as appropriate.

*Western New York Cemetery.*—In fiscal year 2020, Congress appropriated the additional \$10,000,000 requested by VA in order to complete delivery of the full scope of the Western New York National Cemetery as described in the fiscal year 2017 budget proposal, including a columbarium and burial sites, a permanent Honor Guard building, two permanent committal shelters, a permanent maintenance complex, Memorial walls, a Memorial walkway, a completed loop road and roadways, utilities, and fencing/landscaping. As Congress has provided the funding requested by VA to complete this project as described, VA is expected to deliver the full scope.

DEPARTMENTAL ADMINISTRATION

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

The agreement provides \$365,911,000 for General Administration. Of the amount provided, up to 10 percent is available for obligation until September 30, 2022. The agreement continues to include bill language permitting the transfer of funds from this account to General Operating Expenses, Veterans Benefits Administration.

*Financial Management Business Transformation (FMBT).*—The agreement provides \$13,924,000 for FMBT.

*Emergency Preparedness.*—The Department is directed to examine its emergency preparedness and response procedures, including the effectiveness of the VHA Office of Emergency Management, any vulnerabilities of its supply chain, and the operation and management of the VA All-Hazards Emergency Cache program. The report should include recommended additions or changes to the legislative authorities to improve VA's response capabilities for global pandemics. The Department should provide a report on its findings to the Committees on Appropriations no later than 180 days after enactment of this Act.

*Lobbying Congress.*—The agreement reminds the Department that lobbying Congress in support of legislation developed by VA, and not at the request for technical assistance from Congress, is not an appropriate use of taxpayer resources.

The agreement provides funding for General Administration in the amounts specified below:

(\$ in thousands)

<b>Office</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Office of the Secretary	\$ 15,500
Office of General Counsel	117,000
Office of Management	64,407
Office of Human Resources & Administration/Operations, Security & Preparedness	97,132
Office of Enterprise Integration	28,652
Office of Public and Intergovernmental Affairs	13,500
Office of Congressional & Legislative Affairs	7,000
Office of Veterans Experience	0
Office of Accountability & Whistleblower Protection	22,720
Total	\$ 365,911

The Secretary may alter these allocations if the Committees have been notified and written approval is provided.

*Veterans Experience Office.*—The agreement provides that the Office continue to be funded through reimbursable agreements.

#### BOARD OF VETERANS APPEALS

The agreement provides \$196,000,000 for the Board of Veterans Appeals, of which up to 10 percent shall remain available until September 30, 2022.

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SYSTEMS  
(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

The agreement provides \$4,912,000,000 for the Information Technology (IT) Systems account. The agreement includes \$1,211,238,000 for staff salaries and expenses, \$3,205,216,000 for operation and maintenance of existing programs, and \$495,546,000 for program development.

The agreement makes no more than 3 percent of pay and associated costs funding available until the end of fiscal year 2022; no more than 5 percent of operations and maintenance funding available until the end of fiscal year 2022, and all IT systems development funding available until the end of fiscal year 2022.

The agreement continues language permitting funding to be transferred among the three IT subaccounts, subject to approval from the Committees.

The agreement continues language providing that funding may be transferred among development projects or to new projects subject to the Committees' approval.

The agreement continues language indicating that no development project may be increased or decreased by more than \$1,000,000 prior to receiving approval of the Committees or after a period of 30 days has elapsed.

*FMBT.*—The agreement provides \$111,060,000 for FMBT initiatives funded from this account.

*Improved Digital Service Delivery.*—The Department is directed to provide a report no later than 180 days after enactment of this Act with an update on the implementation of the 21<sup>st</sup> Century IDEA (P.L. 115-336) requirements.

*Release of Names and Addresses.*—The agreement directs the Department to provide a report within 60 days of enactment of this Act on the stability and security of VA’s existing mainframe computer systems and estimated costs and benefits of upgrading them, as directed in House Report 116-445.

*Digital Protection Pilot Program.*—In lieu of the direction provided in House Report 116-445, the agreement provides up to \$5,000,000 for this initiative.

*IT Systems Congressional Justification.*—The Department is directed to improve the type, quality, and organization of information in the IT budget submission starting with the fiscal year 2022 request. The fiscal year 2022 request also should include a section detailing every existing IT project that is funded and every project awaiting funding, in ranked order.

*Transforming Business Systems.*—VHA, in conjunction with VA’s Offices of Acquisition, Logistics, and Construction, and Information and Technology, is directed to provide the following Veterans Affairs Logistic Redesign program information to the Committees on Appropriations and Veterans’ Affairs of both Houses of Congress within 90 days of the passage of this Act: (1) a project management plan, including a description of the project’s scope; (2) lifecycle cost estimate; (3) integrated master schedule; (4) functional requirements and quality metrics; and (5) discussion of risks. VA is also directed to provide quarterly updates to the Committees on the project’s progress relative to its scope, cost, schedule and quality baselines.

This table is intended to serve as the Department’s approved list of development projects; as noted above, any requested changes exceeding \$1,000,000 to a project are subject to reprogramming requirements.

Information Technology Development Projects  
(\$ in thousands)

Project	Agreement
<b>Clinical Applications</b>	<b>\$ 95,763</b>
Supply Chain Management	67,120

Healthcare Administration Systems	11,160
Health Data Interoperability	8,423
My HealtheVet	3,200
Research	3,120
Beneficiary Travel	2,540
Registries	200
<b>Health Management Platform</b>	<b>63,827</b>
Community Care	21,190
Pharmacy	11,010
Digital Health Platform	9,867
Purchased Care	8,410
Patient Record System	7,750
Telehealth Services	5,600
<b>Benefits Systems</b>	<b>160,216</b>
Veterans Customer Experience	66,296
Veterans Benefits Management	39,230
Colmery Act	27,230
Benefits Systems	20,630
Benefits Appeals	6,000
Other Benefits IT Systems	830
<b>Memorial Affairs</b>	<b>15,130</b>
Memorial Automation	15,130
<b>Other IT Systems</b>	<b>114,550</b>
Financial and Acquisition Management Modernization	93,070
Human Resources	13,980
General Counsel	4,000
Other Corporate IT Systems	3,500
<b>Cyber Security</b>	<b>11,380</b>
Cyber Security	11,380
<b>Information/Infrastructure Management</b>	<b>34,680</b>

Data Integration and Management	34,680
<b>Total, all development</b>	<b>\$ 495,546</b>

VETERANS ELECTRONIC HEALTH RECORD

The agreement provides \$2,627,000,000 for Veterans Electronic Health Record for activities related to the development and rollout of VA’s Electronic Health Record Modernization (EHRM) initiative, the associated contractual costs, and the salaries and expenses of employees hired under titles 5 and 38, United States Code.

Furthermore, the agreement makes 25 percent of the funds contingent upon the Secretary certifying in writing any changes to the deployment schedule to the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress within seven days prior to July 1, 2021.

*Status Updates.*—The agreement directs the Department to provide a status update to the Committees describing how the deployment complies with the requirements of VA’s Master Test Plan, especially with regard to the status of test findings, prior to the deployment of the electronic health record at any new site.

*EHRM Initiative.*—The agreement includes a substantial increase of \$1,127,000,000 for the EHRM initiative to support the expanded effort of deploying the system at multiple facilities in fiscal year 2021. While the Committees remain supportive of the EHRM initiative, as with any acquisition of this size and magnitude, there are implementation concerns, including maintaining budget, scope, implementation and deployment schedules, security, reporting, and interoperability. As such, the agreement directs the Secretary to continue to provide quarterly reporting of obligations, expenditures, and deployment implementation by facility. Additionally, the agreement directs the Department to provide updates on plans and efforts to integrate community care providers into the system. Such updates should be submitted concurrently with the quarterly reports. Moreover, the agreement directs the Department to continue quarterly briefings on performance milestones, costs, and progress towards or changes to implementation and management plans, and directs the Department to provide an accurate up-to-date deployment

schedule with each quarterly briefing. Should there be any deviation from the deployment schedule, the agreement directs the Department to formally submit in writing a proposed updated deployment schedule within seven days of notification of any potential change, and prior to implementation of the updated deployment schedule, to the Committees. The Secretary is not provided transfer authority and is directed to continue using this account as the sole source of funding within the Department for EHRM. Further, the agreement continues to direct the Secretary to manage EHRM at the headquarters level in the Office of the Deputy Secretary.

*Government Accountability Office (GAO) Review.*—The agreement continues the fiscal year 2018 directive to GAO to conduct quarterly performance reviews of EHRM deployment and to report to the Committees on Appropriations each quarter.

*VA/DOD Interoperability.*—The Committees are pleased that the Joint Federal Electronic Health Record Modernization Program Office has been established and its leadership positions filled.

*Staffing Levels.*—The Committees are concerned that staffing levels are inadequate at facilities where the electronic health record is set to deploy. Therefore, the Department is directed to submit a detailed plan to the Committees no later than 180 days after enactment of this Act to describe how they are ensuring each VHA facility has adequate staffing to meet veteran care needs during the go-live period of each site.

*Enterprise-wide Planning.*—Within nine months of enactment of this Act, the agreement directs VA to provide the Committees a report detailing the remaining VHA, Veterans EHR, and if relevant, Information Technology Systems account funding that will be required to fulfill the EHRM infrastructure needs through the end of nationwide deployment as well as a schedule for the execution of supporting infrastructure projects. The information in this report should be broken down on a facility-by-facility basis, even if based on preliminary estimates.

The agreement provides \$228,000,000 for the Office of Inspector General. Of the amount provided, up to 10 percent is available for obligation until September 30, 2022.

*VHA Staffing Model.*—The agreement directs the Office of Inspector General to review VHA’s progress in developing its comprehensive staffing model, including the timeline for implementation.

CONSTRUCTION, MAJOR PROJECTS

The agreement provides \$1,316,000,000 for Construction, Major Projects. The agreement makes this funding available for five years, except that \$335,362,000 is made available until expended, of which \$180,198,000 shall be available for seismic improvement projects.

*Reuse of Former Departmental Land.*—When Department property is transferred to state, local, or other entities, VA should make reasonable efforts to prepare the property so that local communities can reuse such property without an unreasonable financial burden being placed on local taxpayers. The Department is encouraged to use existing resources to properly prepare VA land slated for disposal, including through the demolition of buildings that have exceeded their service life and are unsafe.

The agreement funds the following items requested in the budget submission:

Construction, Major Projects  
(\$ in thousands)

<i>Location</i>	<i>Description</i>	<i>Amount</i>
Veterans Health Administration (VHA):		
American Lake, WA	New Specialty Care Building 201	\$94,340
Long Beach, CA	Mental Health & Community Living Center	50,000
Canandaigua, NY	Construction & Renovation	30,000
Alameda, CA	Community Based Outpatient Clinic & National Cemetery	152,868

San Diego, CA	SCI & Seismic Building 11	21,260
Livermore, CA	Realignment and Closure of the Livermore Campus	143,270
Dallas, TX	Spinal Cord Injury	78,500
Tulsa, OK	Inpatient Facility	120,000
Advance Planning and Design Fund:	Various Stations	117,781
Asbestos:	Various Stations	15,000
Major Construction Staff:	Various Stations	102,719
Hazardous Waste:	Various Stations	2,000
Judgment Fund:	Various Stations	25,000
Non-Dept. Fed. Entity Project Management Support:	Various Stations	79,350
Seismic Corrections:	Various Stations	180,198
<b>Subtotal, VHA</b>		<b>\$1,212,286</b>
National Cemetery Administration (NCA):		
San Antonio, TX	Ft. Sam Houston Expansion	56,000
San Diego, CA	Miramar Phase 2 Expansion	31,000
Advance Planning and Design Fund		2,000
NCA Land Acquisition		5,000
<b>Subtotal, NCA</b>		<b>\$94,000</b>
General Admin	Staff Offices Advance Planning Fund	9,714
<b>Major Construction, Total</b>		<b>\$1,316,000</b>

CONSTRUCTION, MINOR PROJECTS

The agreement provides \$390,000,000 for Construction, Minor Projects. The agreement makes this funding available for five years. The agreement includes \$233,995,000 for the Veterans Health Administration, \$86,030,000 for the National Cemetery Administration, \$26,475,000 for the Veterans Benefits Administration, and \$43,500,000 for staff offices and the Office of Information and Technology.

The Department is directed to provide an expenditure plan to the Committees on Appropriations no later than 30 days after enactment of this Act for the amount appropriated for minor construction.

*Permanent Residential Rehabilitation Treatment Unit.*—The agreement recognizes the importance of long-term beds for veterans suffering from substance use disorders, particularly in rural areas. The Veterans Integrated Service Network 1 proposed to construct a 24-bed facility at Togus VA Medical Center based upon the results of a critical needs analysis and market assessment. The Department is urged to quickly evaluate this request to ensure veterans are able to receive adequate mental health and substance use treatment.

#### GRANTS FOR CONSTRUCTION OF STATE EXTENDED CARE FACILITIES

The agreement provides \$90,000,000 for Grants for Construction of State Extended Care Facilities, to remain available until expended.

#### GRANTS FOR CONSTRUCTION OF VETERANS CEMETERIES

The agreement provides \$45,000,000 for Grants for Construction of Veterans Cemeteries, to remain available until expended.

#### ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS

##### (INCLUDING TRANSFERS AND RESCISSIONS OF FUNDS)

The agreement includes section 201 allowing for the transfer of funds among the three mandatory accounts.

The agreement includes section 202 allowing for the transfer of funds among the four medical accounts.

The agreement includes section 203 allowing salaries and expenses funds to be used for the hire of passenger vehicles, lease of facilities or land, and purchase of uniforms.

The agreement includes section 204 restricting the accounts that may be used for the acquisition of land or the construction of any new hospital or home.

The agreement includes section 205 limiting the use of funds in the Medical Services account only for entitled beneficiaries unless reimbursement is made to the Department.

The agreement includes section 206 allowing for the use of certain mandatory appropriations accounts for payment of prior year accrued obligations for those accounts.

The agreement includes section 207 allowing the use of appropriations available in this title to pay prior year obligations.

The agreement includes section 208 allowing the Department to use surplus earnings from the National Service Life Insurance Fund, the Veterans' Special Life Insurance Fund, and the United States Government Life Insurance Fund to administer these programs.

The agreement includes section 209 allowing the Department to cover the administrative expenses of enhanced-use leases and provides authority to obligate these reimbursements in the year in which the proceeds are received.

The agreement includes section 210 limiting the amount of reimbursement the Office of Resolution Management, the Office of Employment Discrimination Complaint Adjudication, and the Office of Diversity and Inclusion can charge other offices of the Department for services provided.

The agreement includes section 211 requiring the Department to collect third-party payer information for persons treated for a non-service-connected disability.

The agreement includes section 212 allowing for the use of enhanced-use leasing revenues for Construction, Major Projects and Construction, Minor Projects.

The agreement includes section 213 outlining authorized uses for Medical Services funds.

The agreement includes section 214 allowing for funds deposited into the Medical Care Collections Fund to be transferred to the Medical Services and Medical Community Care accounts.

The agreement includes section 215 which allows Alaskan veterans to use medical facilities of the Indian Health Service or tribal organizations.

The agreement includes section 216 permitting the transfer of funds from the Department of Veterans Affairs Capital Asset Fund to the Construction, Major Projects and Construction, Minor Projects accounts and makes those funds available until expended.

The agreement includes section 217 requiring the Secretary to submit financial status quarterly reports for each of the Administrations in the Department. The specific data requested is similar to that requested in the fiscal year 2017 conference report.

The agreement includes section 218 requiring the Department to notify and receive approval from the Committees of any proposed transfer of funding to or from the Information Technology Systems account and limits the aggregate annual increase in the account to no more than 10 percent of the funding appropriated to the account in this Act.

The agreement includes section 219 providing up to \$322,932,000 of specified fiscal year 2021 funds for transfer to the Joint DOD-VA Medical Facility Demonstration Fund.

The agreement includes section 220 which permits up to \$327,126,000 of specified fiscal year 2022 medical care funding provided in advance to be transferred to the Joint DOD-VA Medical Facility Demonstration Fund.

The agreement includes section 221 which authorizes transfers from the Medical Care Collections Fund to the Joint DOD-VA Medical Facility Demonstration Fund.

The agreement includes section 222 which transfers at least \$15,000,000 from VA medical accounts to the DOD-VA Health Care Sharing Incentive Fund.

The agreement includes section 223 prohibiting funds from being used to replace the current system by which VISNs select and contract for diabetes monitoring supplies and equipment.

The agreement includes section 224 requiring that the Department notify the Committees of bid savings in a major construction project of at least \$5,000,000, or 5 percent, whichever is less, 14 days prior to the obligation of the bid savings and describe their anticipated use.

The agreement includes section 225 which prohibits VA from increasing the scope of work for a major construction project above the scope specified in the original budget request unless the Secretary receives approval from the Committees.

The agreement includes section 226 requiring a quarterly report from each VBA regional office on pending disability claims, both initial and supplemental; error rates; the number of claims processing personnel; corrective actions taken; training programs; and review team audit results. It also requires a quarterly report on the number of appeals pending at the Veterans Benefits Administration and the Board of Veterans Appeals.

The agreement includes section 227 requiring VA to notify the Committees 15 days prior to any staff office relocations within VA of 25 or more full-time-equivalent staff.

The agreement includes section 228 requiring the Secretary to report to the Committees each quarter about any single national outreach and awareness marketing campaign exceeding \$1,000,000.

The agreement includes section 229 permitting the transfer to the Medical Services account of fiscal year discretionary 2021 funds appropriated in this Act or available from advance fiscal year 2021 funds already appropriated, except for funds appropriated to General Operating Expenses, VBA, to address possible unmet, high priority needs in Medical Services, upon approval of the Committees.

The agreement includes section 230 permitting the transfer of funding between the General Operating Expenses, Veterans Benefits Administration account and the Board of Veterans Appeals account upon approval of the Committees.

The agreement includes section 231 prohibiting the Secretary from reprogramming funds in excess of \$7,000,000 among major construction projects or programs unless the reprogramming is approved by the Committees.

The agreement includes section 232 mandating certain professional standards for the veterans crisis hotline and requiring a study to assess its effectiveness.

The agreement includes section 233 prohibiting the use of funds, from the period October 1, 2018 through January 1, 2024, in contravention of VHA's May 10, 2017 guidelines on breast cancer screening.

The agreement includes section 234 addressing the use of funding for assisted reproductive technology treatment and adoption reimbursement.

The agreement includes section 235 prohibiting any funds from being used in a manner that is inconsistent with statutory limitations on outsourcing.

The agreement includes section 236 pertaining to exceptions for Indian- or Native Hawaiian-owned businesses contracting with VA.

The agreement includes section 237 directing the elimination over a series of years of the use of social security numbers in VA programs.

The agreement includes section 238 referencing the provision in the 2017 Appropriations Act pertaining to certification of marriage and family therapists.

The agreement includes section 239, which prohibits funds from being used to transfer funding from the Filipino Veterans Equity Compensation Fund to any other VA account.

The agreement includes section 240 permitting funding to be used in fiscal years 2021 and 2022 to carry out and expand the child care pilot program authorized by section 205 of Public Law 111-163.

The agreement includes section 241 prohibiting VA from using funds to enter into an agreement to resolve a dispute or claim with an individual that would restrict the individual from speaking to Members of Congress or their staff on any topic, except those required to be kept secret in the interest of national defense or the conduct of foreign affairs.

The agreement includes section 242 referencing language in the 2017 Appropriations Act requiring certain data to be included in budget justifications for major construction projects.

The agreement includes section 243 prohibiting the use of funds to deny the Inspector General timely access to information, unless a provision of law expressly refers to the Inspector General and expressly limits such access.

The agreement includes section 244 prohibiting funding from being used in a manner that would increase wait times for veterans at medical facilities.

The agreement includes section 245 prohibiting the use of funds in fiscal year 2021 to convert any program which received specific purpose funds in fiscal year 2020 to a general

purpose-funded program without the approval of the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress at least 30 days prior to any such action.

The agreement includes section 246 referencing language in the 2017 Appropriations Act regarding the verification of service for coastwise merchant seamen.

The agreement includes section 247 addressing animal research at the Department of Veterans Affairs.

The agreement includes section 248 requiring the ratio of veterans to full-time employment equivalents in any rehabilitation program not to exceed 125 veterans to one full-time employment equivalent.

The agreement includes section 249 prohibiting the closure of the CBOC in Bainbridge, New York until the Secretary submits a completed market area assessment to the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress.

The agreement includes section 250 to allow fiscal year 2021 and 2022 “Medical Community Care” funds to be used to cover obligations that otherwise would be paid by the Veterans Choice Fund, if necessary.

The agreement includes section 251 allowing obligations and expenditures applicable to the “Medical Services” account in fiscal years 2017 through 2019 for aid to state homes to remain in the “Medical Community Care” account.

The agreement includes section 252 specifying an amount from the four medical care accounts for gender-specific care for women.

The agreement includes section 253 directing VA to submit a plan to reduce the chances that clinical mistakes by VA employees will result in adverse events that require institutional or clinical disclosures.

The agreement includes section 254 rescinding unobligated balances.

TITLE III  
RELATED AGENCIES

AMERICAN BATTLE MONUMENTS COMMISSION  
SALARIES AND EXPENSES

The agreement provides \$84,100,000 for Salaries and Expenses of the American Battle Monuments Commission (ABMC), an increase of \$9,000,000 above the budget request to support ABMC's maintenance and infrastructure program, including the interpretive program. The additional funds will allow ABMC to not only maintain the cemeteries and monuments honoring America's war dead, but also to preserve and communicate these veterans' stories of courage and sacrifice.

*American Battle Monuments Commission.*—In P.L. 115-244, Congress provided additional funding to ABMC to address priority infrastructure projects, which was allocated in part towards the construction of the Honolulu interpretive center at the National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific. ABMC has completed the draft report on its study of three potential sites for the interpretive center and is awaiting stakeholder feedback, including from the National Cemetery Administration. The agreement urges ABMC to provide its final report to Congress by the end of the calendar year.

FOREIGN CURRENCY FLUCTUATIONS ACCOUNT

The agreement provides such sums as necessary for the Foreign Currency Fluctuations Account.

UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS FOR VETERANS CLAIMS  
SALARIES AND EXPENSES

The agreement provides \$37,100,000 for Salaries and Expenses for the United States Court of Appeals for Veterans Claims.

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE—CIVIL  
CEMETERIAL EXPENSES, ARMY  
SALARIES AND EXPENSES

The agreement provides \$81,815,000 for Cemeterial Expenses, Army - Salaries and Expenses. This amount is \$1,015,000 above the fiscal year 2020 enacted level and \$11,015,000 above the budget request. Within that amount, up to \$15,000,000 in funding is available until September 30, 2023.

The agreement reiterates that it is unacceptable that Arlington National Cemetery's budget requests are continually inadequate to maintain the current level of services. Budget requests that do not reflect real needs are having a deleterious effect on the Cemetery's performance and ability to meet its mission. The Cemetery cannot be under-resourced, and accordingly, the agreement provides an increase in funds over the budget request to correct this deficiency.

This agreement reflects unwavering support for the Cemetery and the successful completion of the Cemetery's truly unique and honored mission. Accordingly, the Secretary of the Army is again directed to include this increase in the Cemetery's baseline budget and ensure future budget requests provide ample resources for the Cemetery, including funding to complete the planned Southern Expansion and ensure that the life of our Nation's most prestigious cemetery is extended into the 2050 timeframe.

ARMED FORCES RETIREMENT HOME  
TRUST FUND

The agreement provides a total of \$75,300,000 for the Armed Forces Retirement Home (AFRH), equal to the fiscal year 2020 enacted level and an increase of \$5,000,000 above the budget request. The increase is intended to support high-priority capital projects, particularly those currently under design, as well as operations and maintenance requirements. The agreement requires AFRH to provide an expenditure plan detailing the planned use of the funds provided for capital projects, as directed in House Report 116-445. The agreement also includes two-year availability of funds for operations and maintenance.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISION

The agreement includes section 301 allowing Arlington National Cemetery to deposit and use funds derived from concessions.

TITLE IV  
OVERSEAS CONTINGENCY OPERATIONS  
DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

The agreement includes title IV, Overseas Contingency Operations, for military construction projects related to the Global War on Terrorism and the European Deterrence/Reassurance Initiative.

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, ARMY

The agreement includes \$16,111,000 for “Military Construction, Army”, for planning and design and construction in support of Overseas Contingency Operations and the European Deterrence/Reassurance Initiative.

#### MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, NAVY AND MARINE CORPS

The agreement includes \$70,020,000 for “Military Construction, Navy and Marine Corps”, for planning and design and construction in support of Overseas Contingency Operations and the European Deterrence/Reassurance Initiative.

#### MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, AIR FORCE

The agreement includes \$263,869,000 for “Military Construction, Air Force”, for planning and design and construction in support of Overseas Contingency Operations and the European Deterrence/Reassurance Initiative.

#### ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISION

The agreement includes section 401 which requires the Department of Defense to provide a future year defense program for European Deterrence/Reassurance Initiative to the congressional defense committees.

#### TITLE V

#### GENERAL PROVISIONS

The agreement includes section 501 prohibiting the obligation of funds in this Act beyond the current fiscal year unless expressly so provided.

The agreement includes section 502 prohibiting the use of the funds in this Act for programs, projects, or activities not in compliance with Federal law relating to risk assessment, the protection of private property rights, or unfunded mandates.

The agreement includes section 503 encouraging all Departments to expand their use of "E-Commerce."

The agreement includes section 504 specifying the congressional committees that are to receive all reports and notifications.

The agreement includes section 505 prohibiting the transfer of funds to any instrumentality of the United States Government without authority from an appropriations Act.

The agreement includes section 506 prohibiting the use of funds for a project or program named for a serving Member, Delegate, or Resident Commissioner of the United States House of Representatives.

The agreement includes section 507 requiring all reports submitted to Congress to be posted on official web sites of the submitting agency.

The agreement includes section 508 prohibiting the use of funds to establish or maintain a computer network unless such network blocks the viewing, downloading, and exchanging of pornography, except for law enforcement investigation, prosecution, or adjudication activities.

The agreement includes section 509 prohibiting the use of funds for the payment of first-class air travel by an employee of the executive branch.

The agreement includes section 510 prohibiting the use of funds in this Act for any contract where the contractor has not complied with E-Verify requirements.

The agreement includes section 511 prohibiting the use of funds in this Act to construct facilities on military installations that do not meet resiliency standards.

The agreement includes section 512 prohibiting the use of funds in this Act for the renovation, expansion, or construction of any facility in the continental United States for the purpose of housing any individual who has been detained at the United States Naval Station, Guantanamo Bay, Cuba.

The agreement includes section 513 enabling VA to more effectively award emergency funding for Grants for Construction of State Extended Care Facilities.

The agreement includes section 514 providing transfer authority for VA to address backlogs of Veterans claims, appeals, and memorial ceremonies.

The agreement includes section 515 providing transfer authority for improvements to VA's education benefits processing system.

The agreement includes section 516 amending the maximum rate for certain per diem payments.

The agreement includes section 517 allocating additional resources for State Veterans Homes to support the covid-19 response.

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TITLE I - DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE					
Military Construction, Army.....	1,176,499	650,336	628,900	-549,599	-21,436
Military Construction, Navy and Marine Corps.....	2,449,632	1,975,606	1,716,144	-733,468	-259,462
Military Construction, Air Force.....	1,687,230	787,132	816,156	-1,071,074	-150,976
Military Construction, Defense-Wide.....	2,362,529	2,027,520	2,041,909	-320,620	+14,389
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Total, Active components.....	7,677,890	5,420,594	5,003,109	-2,674,781	-417,485
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Military Construction, Army National Guard.....	210,819	321,437	349,437	+138,618	+28,000
Military Construction, Air National Guard.....	164,471	64,214	64,214	-100,257	---
Military Construction, Army Reserve.....	80,926	88,337	88,337	+27,409	---
Military Construction, Navy Reserve.....	54,955	70,995	70,995	+16,040	---
Military Construction, Air Force Reserve.....	59,750	23,117	23,117	-36,633	---
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Total, Reserve components.....	550,923	568,100	596,100	+45,177	+28,000

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North Atlantic Treaty Organization Security Investment Program.....	172,005	173,030	173,030	+1,025	---
Department of Defense Base Closure Account.....	398,526	300,447	480,447	+81,921	+180,000
<b>Total, Military Construction.....</b>	<b>8,799,344</b>	<b>8,462,171</b>	<b>8,252,686</b>	<b>-2,546,658</b>	<b>-209,485</b>
Family Housing Construction, Army.....	141,372	119,400	119,400	-21,972	---
Family Housing Operation and Maintenance, Army.....	357,907	387,142	352,342	-5,585	-14,800
Family Housing Construction, Navy and Marine Corps....	47,681	42,897	42,897	-4,764	---
Family Housing Operation and Maintenance, Navy and Marine Corps.....	317,670	346,493	346,493	+28,623	---
Family Housing Construction, Air Force.....	103,631	97,214	97,214	-6,417	---
Family Housing Operation and Maintenance, Air Force...	295,016	317,021	317,021	+22,005	---
Family Housing Operation and Maintenance, Defense-Wide	57,000	54,728	54,728	-2,272	---
Department of Defense Family Housing Improvement Fund.	3,045	5,897	5,897	+2,852	---
Department of Defense Military Unaccompanied Housing Improvement Fund.....	500	600	600	+100	---
<b>Total, Family Housing.....</b>	<b>1,324,002</b>	<b>1,351,392</b>	<b>1,336,592</b>	<b>+12,590</b>	<b>-14,800</b>

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<b>Administrative Provisions</b>					
Unfunded Requirements - Services:					
Military Construction, Army (Sec. 124)	79,500	---	233,000	+153,500	+233,000
Military Construction, Navy and Marine Corps (Sec. 124)	374,529	---	73,100	-301,429	+73,100
Military Construction, Air Force (Sec. 124)	288,200	---	80,000	-228,200	+60,000
Military Construction, Army National Guard (Sec. 124)	155,000	---	49,835	-105,165	+49,835
Military Construction, Air National Guard (Sec. 124)	57,000	---	29,500	-27,500	+29,500
Military Construction, Army Reserve (Sec. 124)	---	---	---	---	---
Military Construction, Navy Reserve (Sec. 124)	---	---	---	---	---
Military Construction, Air Force Reserve (Sec. 124)	24,800	---	25,000	+200	+25,000
NATO Security Investment Program (Sec. 128) (rescission)	-25,000	---	---	+25,000	---
Military Construction, Air Force (Sec. 128) (rescission)	---	---	-9,975	-9,975	-9,975
Military Construction Defense-Wide (Sec. 126) (rescission)	-45,055	---	-29,838	+15,217	-29,838
Family Housing Support and Management Costs (Sec. 129)	140,800	---	60,000	-80,800	+60,000
Military Construction - Military Installation Resilience (S. Sec. 132)	75,000	---	15,000	-80,000	+15,000
Child Development Centers (Sec. 133)	---	---	32,200	+32,200	+32,200
Military Construction, Defense-Wide (Sec. 134) (rescission)	---	---	-131,000	-131,000	-131,000
Military Construction, Defense-Wide (Sec. 134)	---	---	---	---	---
Department of Defense Base Closure Account	---	---	-50,000	-50,000	-50,000

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Military Construction, Navy and Marine Corps .....	---	---	-48,000	-48,000	-48,000
Subtotal, Unfunded Requirements - Services.....	1,124,774	---	308,822	-815,952	+308,822
Cost to Complete Projects - Services:					
Military Construction, Defense-Wide (S. Sec. 124).....	66,880	---	---	-66,880	---
Military Construction, Army (H. Sec. 126).....	---	---	48,000	+48,000	+48,000
Military Construction, Navy and Marine Corps (H. Sec. 126).....	---	---	37,700	+37,700	+37,700
Military Construction, Air Force (Sec. 126).....	---	---	75,700	+75,700	+75,700
Family Housing Construction, Army (H. Sec. 126).....	---	---	4,500	+4,500	+4,500
Subtotal, Cost to Complete Projects - Services..	66,880	---	165,900	+99,020	+165,900
Total, Administrative Provisions.....	1,191,654	---	474,722	-716,932	+474,722
Total, title I, Department of Defense.....	11,315,000	7,813,563	8,064,000	-3,251,000	+250,437
Appropriations.....	(11,385,055)	(7,813,563)	(8,332,813)	(-3,052,242)	(+519,250)
Rescissions.....	(-70,055)	---	(-268,813)	(-198,758)	(-268,813)

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<b>TITLE II - DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS</b>					
Veterans Benefits Administration					
Compensation and pensions:					
Budget year .....	1,439,931	2,813,922	6,110,252	+4,670,321	+3,296,330
Advance from prior year appropriations.....	109,017,152	118,248,975	118,248,975	+9,229,623	---
Total, Compensation and pensions available in fiscal year 2021.....	110,457,083	121,060,897	124,357,227	+13,900,144	+3,296,330
Advance appropriations.....	118,246,975	130,227,650	130,227,650	+11,980,675	---
Less appropriations from prior year advances.....	-109,017,152	-118,248,975	-118,248,975	-9,229,623	---
Total, Compensation and pensions appropriated in this bill.....	119,686,906	133,041,572	136,337,902	+16,650,996	+3,296,330
Readjustment benefits:					
Advance from prior year appropriations.....	14,065,282	12,578,965	12,578,965	-1,486,317	---
Total, Readjustment benefits available in fiscal year 2021.....	14,085,282	12,578,965	12,578,965	-1,486,317	---
Advance appropriations.....	12,578,965	14,948,618	14,946,618	+2,367,653	---
Less appropriations from prior year advances.....	-14,065,282	-12,578,965	-12,578,965	+1,486,317	---
Total, Readjustment benefits appropriated in this bill.....	12,578,965	14,946,618	14,946,618	+2,367,653	---

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<b>Veterans insurance and indemnities:</b>					
Budget year .....	17,620	2,148	2,148	-15,472	---
Advance from prior year appropriations .....	111,340	129,224	129,224	+17,884	---
<b>Total, Veterans insurance and indemnities available in fiscal year 2021 .....</b>					
	128,960	131,372	131,372	+2,412	---
Advance appropriations .....	129,224	136,950	136,950	+7,728	---
Less appropriations from prior year advances .....	-111,340	-129,224	-129,224	-17,884	---
<b>Total, Veterans insurance and indemnities appropriated in this bill .....</b>					
	146,844	139,098	139,098	-7,746	---
<b>Veterans housing benefit program fund:</b>					
<b>Credit subsidy:</b>					
Direct .....	-7,000	-18,000	-18,000	-11,000	---
Guaranteed .....	708,000	1,661,000	1,661,000	+973,000	---
<b>Subtotal (Credit subsidy) .....</b>					
	701,000	1,663,000	1,663,000	+982,000	---
(Limitation on direct loans) .....	(500)	(500)	(500)	---	---
Administrative expenses .....	200,377	204,400	204,400	+4,023	---
<b>Vocational rehabilitation loans program account .....</b>					
	58	34	34	-24	---
(Limitation on direct loans) .....	(2,008)	(2,470)	(2,470)	(+462)	---
Administrative expenses .....	402	424	424	+22	---

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Native American veteran housing loan program account..	1,166	1,163	1,166	---	+23
General operating expenses, VBA.....	3,125,000	3,207,000	3,160,000	+55,000	-27,000
<b>Total, Veterans Benefits Administration.....</b>	<b>136,440,738</b>	<b>153,203,309</b>	<b>156,472,662</b>	<b>+20,031,924</b>	<b>+3,269,353</b>
Appropriations.....	(5,485,574)	(7,892,091)	(11,161,444)	(+5,875,870)	(+3,269,353)
Advance appropriations.....	(130,955,164)	(145,311,218)	(145,311,218)	(+14,356,054)	---
Advances from prior year appropriations.....	(123,193,774)	(130,955,164)	(130,955,164)	(+7,761,390)	---
<b>Veterans Health Administration</b>					
<b>Medical services (MS):</b>					
Budget year.....	---	497,466	497,466	+497,466	---
Advance from prior year.....	51,411,185	56,158,015	56,158,015	+4,746,850	---
<b>Total, MS available in fiscal year 2021.....</b>	<b>51,411,165</b>	<b>56,655,483</b>	<b>56,655,483</b>	<b>+5,244,318</b>	<b>---</b>
Advance appropriations.....	56,158,015	58,897,219	58,897,219	+2,739,204	---

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<b>Medical community care (MCC)</b>					
Budget year.....	4,521,400	1,380,800	1,380,800	-3,140,600	---
Advance from prior year.....	10,758,399	17,131,179	17,131,179	+6,372,780	---
<b>Total, MCC available in fiscal year 2021.....</b>	<b>15,279,799</b>	<b>18,511,979</b>	<b>18,511,979</b>	<b>+3,232,180</b>	<b>---</b>
Advance appropriations.....	17,131,179	20,148,244	20,148,244	+3,017,065	---
<b>Medical support and compliance (MSC):</b>					
Budget year.....	98,800	300,000	300,000	+201,200	---
Advance from prior year.....	7,239,156	7,914,191	7,914,191	+675,035	---
<b>Total, MSC available in fiscal year 2021.....</b>	<b>7,337,956</b>	<b>8,214,191</b>	<b>8,214,191</b>	<b>+876,235</b>	<b>---</b>
Advance appropriations.....	7,914,191	8,403,117	8,403,117	+488,926	---

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Medical facilities (MF):					
Budget year.....	---	150,000	150,000	+150,000	---
Advance from prior year.....	6,141,880	6,433,265	6,433,265	+291,385	---
Total, MF available in fiscal year 2021 .....	6,141,880	6,583,265	6,583,265	+441,385	---
Advance appropriations.....	6,433,265	6,734,680	6,734,680	+301,415	---
Medical and prosthetic research.....	800,000	787,000	815,000	+15,000	+28,000
Medical care cost recovery collections:					
Offsetting collections.....	-3,729,000	-4,403,000	-4,403,000	-674,000	---
Appropriations (indefinite).....	3,729,000	4,403,000	4,403,000	+674,000	---
Medical Care Collections Fund (MCCF) (transfer out) (Sec. 214).....	(-446,000)	(-784,000)	(-784,000)	(-338,000)	---
Medical Community Care and Medical Services (by transfer) (Sec. 214).....	(446,000)	(784,000)	(784,000)	(+338,000)	---
VA medical funds (transfer out) (Sec. 219).....	(-314,409)	(-322,932)	(-322,932)	(-8,523)	---

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DoD-VA Joint Medical Facility Demonstration Fund (by transfer) (Sec. 219).....	(314,409)	(322,932)	(322,932)	(+8,523)	---
MCCF to DoD-VA Joint Medical Facility Demonstration Fund (transfer out) (Sec. 221).....	(-17,000)	(-18,000)	(-18,000)	(-1,000)	---
DoD-VA Joint Medical Facility Demonstration Fund (by transfer) (Sec. 221).....	(17,000)	(18,000)	(18,000)	(+1,000)	---
VA Medical Care Funds (transfer out) (Sec. 222).....	(-15,000)	(-15,000)	(-15,000)	---	---
DoD-VA Health Care Sharing Incentive Fund (by transfer) (Sec. 222).....	(15,000)	(15,000)	(15,000)	---	---
<b>Total, Veterans Health Administration.....</b>	<b>93,056,850</b>	<b>97,298,528</b>	<b>97,328,528</b>	<b>+4,269,678</b>	<b>+28,000</b>
Appropriations (budget year).....	(5,420,200)	(3,115,288)	(3,143,288)	(-2,278,932)	(+28,000)
Advance appropriations (FY 2022).....	(87,636,850)	(94,183,260)	(94,183,260)	(+6,546,610)	---
Advances from prior year appropriations.....	(75,550,600)	(87,836,650)	(87,836,850)	(+12,086,050)	---
(By transfer).....	(792,409)	(1,139,932)	(1,139,932)	(+347,523)	---
(Transfer out).....	(-792,409)	(-1,139,932)	(-1,139,932)	(-347,523)	---

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<b>National Cemetery Administration</b>					
National Cemetery Administration.....	329,000	380,000	352,000	+23,000	-8,000
<b>Departmental Administration</b>					
General administration.....	355,911	413,000	365,911	+10,000	-47,089
Board of Veterans Appeals.....	182,000	198,000	198,000	+14,000	-2,000
Information Technology Systems (IT Systems).....	4,371,815	4,912,000	4,912,000	+540,385	---
Veterans Electronic Health Record (EHR).....	1,500,000	2,827,000	2,627,000	+1,127,000	---
Office of Inspector General.....	210,000	228,000	228,000	+18,000	---
Construction, major projects.....	1,235,200	1,373,000	1,318,000	+80,800	-57,000
Construction, minor projects.....	398,800	400,000	390,000	-8,800	-10,000
Grants for construction of State extended care facilities.....	90,000	90,000	90,000	---	---
Grants for the construction of Veterans cemeteries....	45,000	45,000	45,000	---	---
<b>Total, Departmental Administration.....</b>	<b>8,388,526</b>	<b>10,286,000</b>	<b>10,169,911</b>	<b>+1,781,385</b>	<b>-116,089</b>

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	FY 2020 Enacted	FY 2021 Request	Final Bill	Final Bill vs Enacted	Final Bill vs Request
<b>Administrative Provisions</b>					
Medical Support and Compliance (rescission) (Sec. 254)	-10,000	---	-15,000	-5,000	-15,000
DOD-VA Health Care Sharing Incentive Fund (Sec. 253) (rescission).....	-15,949	---	---	+15,949	---
Veterans Electronic Health Record (Sec. 254) (rescission).....	-70,000	---	-20,000	+50,000	-20,000
Medical and Prosthetic Research (Sec. 254) (rescission).....	-50,000	---	-20,000	+30,000	-20,000
Board of Veterans Appeals (Sec. 253) (rescission).....	-8,000	---	---	+8,000	---
National Cemetery Administration (Sec. 253) (rescission).....	-1,000	---	---	+1,000	---
Medical Services (Sec. 254) (rescission).....	-350,000	---	-100,000	+250,000	-100,000
Information Technology Systems (Sec. 254) (rescission)	---	---	-37,500	-37,500	-37,500
General Administration (Sec. 254) (rescission).....	---	---	-12,000	-12,000	-12,000
General Operating Expenses, VBA (Sec. 254) (rescission).....	---	---	-16,000	-16,000	-16,000
Construction, Minor Projects (Sec. 254) (rescission)...	---	---	-35,700	-35,700	-35,700
<b>Total, Administrative Provisions.....</b>	<b>-504,949</b>	<b>---</b>	<b>-256,200</b>	<b>+248,749</b>	<b>-256,200</b>

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Total, title II, Department of Veterans Affairs.	237,710,165	261,147,837	264,064,901	+26,354,736	+2,917,064
Appropriations.....	(19,623,300)	(21,653,359)	(24,826,823)	(+5,203,323)	(+3,173,264)
Rescissions.....	(-504,949)	---	(-256,200)	(+248,749)	(-256,200)
Advance Appropriations:					
(Mandatory).....	(130,955,164)	(145,311,218)	(145,311,218)	(+14,356,054)	---
(Discretionary).....	(87,636,650)	(94,183,260)	(94,183,260)	(+6,546,610)	---
(By transfer).....	(792,408)	(1,139,932)	(1,139,932)	(+347,523)	---
(Transfer out).....	(-792,409)	(-1,139,932)	(-1,139,932)	(-347,523)	---
(Limitation on direct loans).....	(2,508)	(2,970)	(2,970)	(+462)	---
Advances from prior year appropriations:					
(Mandatory).....	(123,193,774)	(130,955,164)	(130,955,164)	(+7,761,390)	---
(Discretionary).....	(75,550,800)	(87,636,650)	(87,636,650)	(+12,086,050)	---
Total, available this fiscal year.....	217,662,725	240,245,173	243,162,237	+25,299,512	+2,917,064
(Mandatory).....	(125,352,325)	(135,434,234)	(138,730,564)	(+13,376,239)	(+3,296,330)
(Discretionary).....	(92,510,400)	(104,810,939)	(104,431,673)	(+11,921,273)	(-379,266)

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	FY 2020 Enacted	FY 2021 Request	Final Bill	Final Bill vs Enacted	Final Bill vs Request
TITLE III - RELATED AGENCIES					
American Battle Monuments Commission					
Salaries and expenses.....	84,100	75,100	84,100	---	+9,000
U.S. Court of Appeals for Veterans Claims					
Salaries and expenses.....	35,400	38,900	37,100	+1,700	-1,800
Department of Defense - Civil					
Cemeterial Expenses, Army					
Salaries and expenses.....	80,800	70,800	81,815	+1,015	+11,015
Armed Forces Retirement Home - Trust Fund					
Operation and maintenance.....	41,300	42,300	44,300	+3,000	+2,000
Capital program.....	12,000	6,000	9,000	-3,000	+3,000
Payment from General Fund.....	22,000	22,000	22,000	---	---
Total, Armed Forces Retirement Home.....	75,300	70,300	75,300	---	+5,000
Total, title III, Related Agencies.....	275,600	255,100	278,315	+2,715	+23,215

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	FY 2020 Enacted	FY 2021 Request	Final Bill	Final Bill vs Enacted	Final Bill vs Request
<b>TITLE IV - OVERSEAS CONTINGENCY OPERATIONS</b>					
<b>Overseas Contingency Operations</b>					
Military Construction, Army.....	33,800	---	---	-33,800	---
Military Construction, Air Force.....	66,000	---	---	-66,000	---
Military Construction, Defense-Wide.....	---	---	---	---	---
Subtotal, Overseas Contingency Operations.....	99,800	---	---	-99,800	---
<b>European Deterrence / Reassurance Initiative</b>					
Military Construction, Army.....	76,168	15,873	16,111	-62,057	+238
Military Construction, Navy and Marine Corps.....	94,570	70,020	70,020	-24,550	---
Military Construction, Air Force.....	325,988	263,869	263,869	-62,119	---
Military Construction, Defense-Wide.....	46,000	---	---	-46,000	---
Subtotal, European Deterrence / Reassurance Initiative.....	544,726	349,762	350,000	-194,726	+238
Total, Overseas Contingency Operations.....	644,526	349,762	350,000	-294,526	+238

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TITLE V - GENERAL PROVISIONS					
Medical Services (Sec. 514) (transfer out) (emergency)	---	---	(-167,000)	(-167,000)	(-167,000)
Veterans Benefits Administration, General Operating Expenses (Sec. 514) (by transfer) (emergency).....	---	---	(140,000)	(+140,000)	(+140,000)
National Cemetery Administration (Sec. 514) (by transfer) (emergency).....	---	---	(26,000)	(+26,000)	(+26,000)
Board of Veterans Appeals (Sec. 514) (by transfer) (emergency).....	---	---	(1,000)	(+1,000)	(+1,000)
Medical Services transfer out (Sec.515) (emergency)...	---	---	(-243,000)	(-243,000)	(-243,000)
Veterans Benefits Administration, General Operating Expenses (Sec. 515) (by transfer) (emergency).....	---	---	(198,000)	(+198,000)	(+198,000)
Information Technology Systems (Sec.515) (by transfer) (emergency).....	---	---	(45,000)	(+45,000)	(+45,000)
Medical Services transfer out (Sec. 517) (emergency)...	---	---	(-100,000)	(-100,000)	(-100,000)
Medical Community Care (Sec. 517) (by transfer) (emergency).....	---	---	(100,000)	(+100,000)	(+100,000)
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Total, title V, General Provisions (emergencies)	---	---	---	---	---
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TITLE V - NATURAL DISASTER RELIEF (P.L. 116-94)					
Military Construction, Navy and Marine Corps (emergency).....	3,477,000	---	---	-3,477,000	---
Military Construction, Air Force (emergency).....	2,605,200	---	---	-2,605,200	---
Military Construction, Defense-Wide (emergency).....	77,175	---	---	-77,175	---
Military Construction, Army National Guard (emergency)	66,000	---	---	-66,000	---
Military Construction, Army Reserve (emergency).....	3,300	---	---	-3,300	---
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Total, title V, Natural Disaster Relief (emergencies).....	6,228,675	---	---	-6,228,675	---
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	FY 2020 Enacted	FY 2021 Request	Final Bill	Final Bill vs Enacted	Final Bill vs Request
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OTHER APPROPRIATIONS					
CONTINUING APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2021 AND OTHER EXTENSIONS ACT (P.L. 116-159 DIV A)					
Medical Services transfer to Canteen Service Revolving Fund (transfer out) (emergency).....	---	---	(-140,000)	(-140,000)	(-140,000)
Canteen Service Revolving Fund (by transfer) (emergency).....	---	---	(140,000)	(+140,000)	(+140,000)
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Total, Continuing Appropriations Act, 2021 and Other Extensions.....	---	---	---	---	---

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	FY 2020 Enacted	FY 2021 Request	Final Bill	Final Bill vs Enacted	Final Bill vs Request
Grand total.....	256,173,966	269,586,262	272,757,216	+16,583,250	+3,190,954
Appropriations.....	(31,283,955)	(29,722,022)	(33,437,751)	(+2,153,796)	(+3,715,729)
Rescissions.....	(-575,004)	---	(-525,013)	(+49,991)	(-525,013)
Advance appropriations.....	(218,591,814)	(239,494,478)	(239,494,478)	(+20,902,664)	---
Overseas contingency operations.....	(644,526)	(349,762)	(350,000)	(-294,526)	(+238)
Advances from prior year appropriations.....	(198,744,374)	(218,591,814)	(218,591,814)	(+19,847,440)	---
(By transfer).....	(792,409)	(1,139,932)	(1,139,932)	(+347,523)	---
(Transfer out).....	(-792,409)	(-1,139,932)	(-1,139,932)	(-347,523)	---
(By transfer) (emergency).....	---	---	(650,000)	(+850,000)	(+850,000)
(Transfer out) (emergency).....	---	---	(-650,000)	(-650,000)	(-850,000)
(Limitation on direct loans).....	(2,508)	(2,970)	(2,970)	(+462)	---

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	BUDGET REQUEST	FINAL BILL
ALABAMA		
AIR NATIONAL GUARD		
MONTGOMERY REGIONAL AIRPORT		
F-35 SIMULATOR FACILITY.....	11,600	11,600
DEFENSE-WIDE		
ANNISTON ARMY DEPOT		
DEMILITARIZATION FACILITY.....	18,000	18,000
TOTAL ALABAMA.....	29,600	29,600
ALASKA		
DEFENSE-WIDE		
FORT GREELY		
COMMUNICATIONS CENTER.....	48,000	48,000
TOTAL, ALASKA.....	48,000	48,000
ARIZONA		
ARMY		
YUMA PROVING GROUND		
READY BUILDING.....	14,000	14,000
DEFENSE-WIDE		
FORT HUACHUCA		
LABORATORY BUILDING.....	33,728	33,728
YUMA		
SOF HANGAR.....	49,500	49,500
ARMY NATIONAL GUARD		
TUCSON		
NATIONAL GUARD READINESS CENTER.....	18,100	18,100
TOTAL, ARIZONA.....	115,328	115,328
CALIFORNIA		
NAVY		
CAMP PENDLETON		
1ST MARDIV OPERATIONS COMPLEX.....	68,530	68,530
I MEF CONSOLIDATED INFORMATION CENTER (INC 2).....	37,000	37,000
LEMOORE		
F-35C HANGAR 6 PHASE 2 (MOD 3/4).....	128,070	53,000
F-35C SIMULATOR FACILITY & ELECTRICAL UPGRADE.....	59,150	59,150
SAN DIEGO		
PIER 6 REPLACEMENT.....	128,500	63,500
TWENTYNINE PALMS		
WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT.....	76,500	76,500
DEFENSE-WIDE		
BEALE AFB		
BULK FUEL TANK.....	22,800	22,800
TOTAL, CALIFORNIA.....	520,550	380,480
COLORADO		
ARMY		
FORT CARSON		
PHYSICAL FITNESS FACILITY.....	28,000	28,000
AIR FORCE		
SCHRIEVER AFB		
CONSOLIDATED SPACE OPERATIONS FACILITY.....	88,000	88,000
DEFENSE-WIDE		
FORT CARSON		
SOF TACTICAL EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE FACILITY.....	15,600	15,600
ARMY NATIONAL GUARD		
PETERSON AFB		
NATIONAL GUARD READINESS CENTER.....	15,000	15,000
TOTAL, COLORADO.....	146,600	146,600

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	BUDGET REQUEST	FINAL BILL
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FLORIDA		
DEFENSE-WIDE		
HURLBURT FIELD		
SOF COMBAT AIRCRAFT PARKING APRON-NORTH.....	38,310	38,310
SOF SPECIAL TACTICS OPS FACILITY (23 STS).....	44,810	44,810
ARMY RESERVE		
GAINESVILLE		
ECS TEMF/WAREHOUSE.....	36,000	36,000
TOTAL, FLORIDA.....	119,120	119,120
GEORGIA		
ARMY		
FORT GILLEM		
FORENSIC LABORATORY.....	71,000	71,000
FORT GORDON		
ADV INDIVIDUAL TRAINING BARRACKS CPLX, PH3.....	80,000	80,000
TOTAL, GEORGIA.....	151,000	151,000
HAWAII		
ARMY		
WHEELER ARMY AIR FIELD		
AIRCRAFT MAINTENANCE HANGAR.....	89,000	89,000
NAVY		
JOINT BASE PEARL HARBOR-HICKAM		
WATERFRONT IMPROVEMENTS WHARVES S1, S11-13, S20-21	48,990	48,990
WATERFRONT IMPROVEMENTS WHARVES SB-S10.....	65,910	65,910
TOTAL, HAWAII.....	203,900	203,900
INDIANA		
ARMY NATIONAL GUARD		
SHELBYVILLE		
NATIONAL GUARD/RESERVE CENTER BUILDING ADD ALT....	12,000	12,000
TOTAL, INDIANA.....	12,000	12,000
KENTUCKY		
DEFENSE-WIDE		
FORT KNOX		
VAN VOORHIS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL.....	69,310	69,310
ARMY NATIONAL GUARD		
FRANKFORT		
NATIONAL GUARD/RESERVE CENTER BUILDING.....	15,000	15,000
TOTAL, KENTUCKY.....	84,310	84,310
LOUISIANA		
ARMY		
FORT POLK		
INFORMATION SYSTEMS FACILITY.....	25,000	25,000
TOTAL, LOUISIANA.....	25,000	25,000
MAINE		
NAVY		
KITTERY		
MULTI-MISSION DRYDOCK 1 EXTENSION PH1.....	160,000	160,000
TOTAL, MAINE.....	160,000	160,000

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	BUDGET REQUEST	FINAL BILL
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MARYLAND		
DEFENSE-WIDE		
BETHESDA NAVAL HOSPITAL		
MEDCEN ADDITION/ALTERATION (INC 4).....	180,000	80,000
FORT DIETRICK		
USAMRIID.....	---	131,000
FORT MEADE		
NSAW RECAPITALIZE BUILDING (INC 3).....	250,000	250,000
AIR NATIONAL GUARD		
JOINT BASE ANDREWS		
F-16 MISSION TRAINING CENTER.....	9,400	9,400
NAVY RESERVE		
REISTERSTOWN - CAMP FRETTERD MILITARY RESERVATION		
RESERVE TRAINING CENTER.....	39,500	39,500
TOTAL, MARYLAND.....	478,900	509,900
MASSACHUSETTS		
ARMY RESERVE		
DEVENS RESERVE FORCES TRAINING AREA		
AUTOMATED MULTIPURPOSE MACHINE GUN RANGE.....	8,700	8,700
TOTAL, MASSACHUSETTS.....	8,700	8,700
MISSISSIPPI		
ARMY NATIONAL GUARD		
BRANDON		
NATIONAL GUARD VEHICLE MAINTENANCE SHOP.....	10,400	10,400
TOTAL, MISSISSIPPI.....	10,400	10,400
MISSOURI		
DEFENSE-WIDE		
FORT LEONARD WOOD		
HOSPITAL REPLACEMENT (INC 3).....	40,000	40,000
ST. LOUIS		
NGA WEST (N2W) COMPLEX PHASE (INC 2).....	119,000	119,000
TOTAL, MISSOURI.....	159,000	159,000
MONTANA		
AIR FORCE		
MALMSTROM AFB		
WEAPONS STORAGE AND MAINTENANCE FACILITY (INC 2)...	25,000	---
TOTAL, MONTANA.....	25,000	---
NEBRASKA		
ARMY NATIONAL GUARD		
NORTH PLATTE		
NATIONAL GUARD VEHICLE MAINTENANCE SHOP.....	9,300	9,300
TOTAL, NEBRASKA.....	9,300	9,300
NEVADA		
NAVY		
FALLON		
RANGE TRAINING COMPLEX, PHASE 1.....	29,040	29,040
TOTAL, NEVADA.....	29,040	29,040
NEW JERSEY		
AIR FORCE		
JOINT BASE MCGUIRE-DIX-LAKEHURST		
MUNITIONS STORAGE AREA.....	22,000	22,000
ARMY NATIONAL GUARD		
JOINT BASE MCGUIRE-DIX-LAKEHURST		
NATIONAL GUARD READINESS CENTER.....	15,000	15,000
TOTAL, NEW JERSEY.....	37,000	37,000

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	BUDGET REQUEST	FINAL BILL
NEW MEXICO		
DEFENSE-WIDE		
KIRTLAND AFB		
ADMINISTRATIVE BUILDING.....	46,600	46,600
TOTAL, NEW MEXICO.....	46,600	46,600
NORTH CAROLINA		
NAVY		
CAMP LEJEUNE		
II MEF OPERATIONS CENTER REPLACEMENT (INC 2).....	20,000	20,000
DEFENSE-WIDE		
FORT BRAGG		
SOF GROUP HEADQUARTERS.....	53,100	53,100
SOF MILITARY WORKING DOG FACILITY.....	17,700	17,700
SOF OPERATIONS FACILITY.....	43,000	43,000
ARMY RESERVE		
ASHEVILLE		
ARMY RESERVE CENTER/LAND.....	24,000	24,000
TOTAL, NORTH CAROLINA.....	157,800	157,800
OHIO		
DEFENSE-WIDE		
WRIGHT-PATTERSON AFB		
HYDRANT FUEL SYSTEM.....	23,500	23,500
ARMY NATIONAL GUARD		
COLUMBUS		
NATIONAL GUARD READINESS CENTER.....	15,000	15,000
TOTAL, OHIO.....	38,500	38,500
OKLAHOMA		
ARMY		
MCALESTER APP		
AMMUNITION DEMOLITION SHOP.....	35,000	35,000
TOTAL, OKLAHOMA.....	35,000	35,000
OREGON		
ARMY NATIONAL GUARD		
HERMISTON		
ENLISTED BARRACKS, TRANSIENT TRAINING.....	9,300	9,300
TOTAL, OREGON.....	9,300	9,300
PENNSYLVANIA		
ARMY		
CARLISLE BARRACKS		
GENERAL INSTRUCTION BUILDING (INC 2).....	38,000	38,000
TOTAL, PENNSYLVANIA.....	38,000	38,000
SOUTH CAROLINA		
ARMY NATIONAL GUARD		
JOINT BASE CHARLESTON		
NATIONAL GUARD READINESS CENTER.....	15,000	15,000
TOTAL, SOUTH CAROLINA.....	15,000	15,000
TENNESSEE		
ARMY NATIONAL GUARD		
MCHINNIVILLE		
NATIONAL GUARD READINESS CENTER.....	11,200	11,200
TOTAL, TENNESSEE.....	11,200	11,200

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	BUDGET REQUEST	FINAL BILL
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TEXAS		
AIR FORCE		
JOINT BASE SAN ANTONIO		
BMT RECRUIT DORMITORY 8 (INC 2).....	36,000	36,000
T-X ADAL GROUND BASED TRNG SYS SIM.....	19,500	19,500
DEFENSE-WIDE		
FORT HOOD		
FUEL FACILITIES.....	32,700	32,700
ARMY NATIONAL GUARD		
FORT WORTH		
AIRCRAFT MAINTENANCE HANGAR ADDITION/ALT.....	6,000	6,000
VEHICLE MAINTENANCE SHOP ADDITION/ALT.....	7,800	7,800
AIR NATIONAL GUARD		
JOINT BASE SAN ANTONIO		
F-16 MISSION TRAINING CENTER.....	10,800	10,800
AIR FORCE RESERVE		
FORT WORTH		
F-35A SIMULATOR FACILITY.....	14,200	14,200
TOTAL, TEXAS.....	127,000	127,000
UTAH		
AIR FORCE		
HILL AFB		
GBSD MISSION INTEGRATION FACILITY (INC 2).....	68,000	68,000
ARMY NATIONAL GUARD		
NEPHI		
NATIONAL GUARD READINESS CENTER.....	12,000	12,000
NAVY RESERVE		
HILL AFB		
NAVAL OPERATIONAL SUPPORT CENTER.....	25,010	25,010
TOTAL, UTAH.....	105,010	105,010
VIRGINIA		
ARMY		
HUMPHREYS ENGINEER CENTER		
TRAINING SUPPORT FACILITY.....	51,000	51,000
NAVY		
NORFOLK		
E-2D TRAINING FACILITY.....	30,400	30,400
MH60 & CMV-22B CORROSION CONTROL & PAINT FACILITY.....	17,671	17,671
AIR FORCE		
JOINT BASE LANGLEY-EUSTIS		
ACCESS CONTROL POINT MAIN GATE WITH LAND ACQ.....	19,500	19,500
DEFENSE-WIDE		
JOINT EXPEDITIONARY BASE LITTLE CREEK-STORY		
SOF DCS OPERATIONS FAC. AND COMMAND CENTER.....	54,500	54,500
SOF NSWG-2 NSWTG CSS FACILITIES.....	58,000	58,000
TOTAL, VIRGINIA.....	231,071	231,071
WASHINGTON		
DEFENSE-WIDE		
JOINT BASE LEWIS-MCCHORD		
FUEL FACILITIES (LEWIS MAIN).....	10,900	10,900
FUEL FACILITIES (LEWIS NORTH).....	10,900	10,900
MANCHESTER		
BULK FUEL STORAGE TANKS PHASE 1.....	82,000	82,000
TOTAL, WASHINGTON.....	103,800	103,800

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WISCONSIN		
ARMY NATIONAL GUARD		
APPLETON		
NATIONAL GUARD READINESS CENTER ADD/ALT.....	11,600	11,600
ARMY RESERVE		
FORT MCCOY		
SCOUT RECONNAISSANCE RANGE.....	14,600	14,600
TOTAL, WISCONSIN.....	26,200	26,200
CONUS UNSPECIFIED		
DEFENSE-WIDE		
CONUS UNSPECIFIED		
TRAINING TARGET STRUCTURE.....	14,400	14,400
TOTAL, CONUS CLASSIFIED.....	14,400	14,400
BAHRAIN ISLAND		
NAVY		
SW ASIA		
SHIP TO SHORE UTILITY SERVICES.....	68,340	68,340
TOTAL, BAHRAIN ISLAND.....	68,340	68,340
GERMANY		
DEFENSE-WIDE		
RHINE ORDNANCE BARRACKS		
MEDICAL CENTER REPLACEMENT (INC 9).....	200,000	200,000
TOTAL, GERMANY.....	200,000	200,000
GREECE		
NAVY		
SOUDA BAY		
COMMUNICATION CENTER.....	50,180	50,180
TOTAL, GREECE.....	50,180	50,180
GUAM		
NAVY		
ANDERSEN AFB		
ORDNANCE OPERATIONS ADMIN.....	21,280	21,280
JOINT REGION MARIANAS		
BACHELOR ENLISTED QUARTERS H (INC 2).....	80,000	23,900
BASE WAREHOUSE.....	55,410	55,410
CENTRAL FUEL STATION.....	35,950	35,950
CENTRAL ISSUE FACILITY.....	45,290	45,290
COMBINED EOD FACILITY.....	37,600	37,600
DAR BRIDGE IMPROVEMENTS.....	40,180	40,180
DAR ROAD STRENGTHENING.....	70,760	70,760
DISTRIBUTION WAREHOUSE.....	77,930	77,930
INDIVIDUAL COMBAT SKILLS TRAINING.....	17,430	17,430
JOINT COMMUNICATION UPGRADE.....	166,000	22,000
AIR FORCE		
JOINT REGION MARIANAS		
STAND OFF WEAPONS COMPLEX, MSA 2.....	56,000	56,000
AIR NATIONAL GUARD		
JOINT REGION MARIANAS		
SPACE CONTROL FACILITY 5.....	20,000	20,000
TOTAL, GUAM.....	723,830	523,730

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION

(Amounts in thousands)

	BUDGET REQUEST	FINAL BILL
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JAPAN		
NAVY		
YOKOSUKA		
PIER 5 (BERTHS 2 AND 3) (INC 2).....	74,692	59,400
DEFENSE-WIDE		
YOKOSUKA		
KINNICK HIGH SCHOOL.....	30,000	---
DEF FUEL SUPPORT POINT TSURUHI		
FUEL WHARF.....	49,500	49,500
TOTAL, JAPAN.....	154,192	108,900
MARIANA ISLANDS		
AIR FORCE		
TINIAN		
AIRFIELD DEVELOPMENT, PHASE 1 (INC 2).....	20,000	---
FUEL TANKS W/ PIPELINE/HYDRANT SYSTEM (INC 2).....	7,000	---
PARKING APRON (INC 2).....	15,000	---
TOTAL, MARIANA ISLANDS.....	42,000	---
PUERTO RICO		
ARMY NATIONAL GUARD		
FORT ALLEN		
NATIONAL GUARD READINESS CENTER.....	37,000	37,000
TOTAL, PUERTO RICO.....	37,000	37,000
QATAR		
AIR FORCE		
AL UDEID		
CARGO MARSHALLING YARD.....	26,000	26,000
TOTAL, QATAR.....	26,000	26,000
SPAIN		
NAVY		
ROTA		
MH-60R SQUADRON SUPPORT FACILITIES.....	60,110	60,110
TOTAL, SPAIN.....	60,110	60,110
VIRGIN ISLANDS		
ARMY NATIONAL GUARD		
ST CROIX		
ARMY AVIATION SUPPORT FACILITY (AASF).....	28,000	28,000
CST READY BUILDING.....	11,400	11,400
TOTAL, VIRGIN ISLANDS.....	39,400	39,400
NATO SECURITY INVESTMENT PROGRAM.....	173,030	173,030

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	BUDGET REQUEST	FINAL BILL
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WORLDWIDE UNSPECIFIED		
ARMY		
HOST NATION SUPPORT.....	39,000	39,000
PLANNING AND DESIGN.....	129,436	100,000
SOUTHCOM PLANNING AND DESIGN.....	---	8,000
OTHER PLANNING AND DESIGN.....	---	---
MINOR CONSTRUCTION.....	50,900	50,900
SUBTOTAL, ARMY.....	219,336	197,900
NAVY		
PLANNING AND DESIGN.....	165,710	261,710
MINOR CONSTRUCTION.....	38,983	38,983
SUBTOTAL, NAVY.....	204,693	300,693
AIR FORCE		
PLANNING AND DESIGN.....	296,532	212,556
MINOR CONSTRUCTION.....	68,600	68,600
SUBTOTAL, AIR FORCE.....	365,132	281,156
DEFENSE-WIDE		
ENERGY RESILIENCE AND CONSERVATION INVESTMENT PROGRAM.....	142,500	173,789
PLANNING AND DESIGN		
DEFENSE-WIDE.....	24,897	10,647
DEFENSE-WIDE ERCIP.....	---	17,350
INDOPACOM PLANNING AND DESIGN.....	---	10,000
DEFENSE HEALTH AGENCY.....	64,406	53,406
DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE EDUCATION AGENCY.....	27,746	27,746
NATIONAL SECURITY AGENCY.....	10,303	10,303
SPECIAL OPERATIONS COMMAND.....	32,624	32,624
SUBTOTAL, DEFENSE-WIDE.....	302,476	335,865
UNSPECIFIED MINOR CONSTRUCTION		
DEFENSE-WIDE.....	3,000	3,000
DEFENSE HEALTH AGENCY.....	20,000	---
DEFENSE LOGISTICS AGENCY.....	9,726	9,726
DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE EDUCATION AGENCY.....	8,000	8,000
MISSILE DEFENSE AGENCY.....	4,922	4,922
SPECIAL OPERATIONS COMMAND.....	17,698	17,698
THE JOINT STAFF.....	5,840	5,840
SUBTOTAL, UNSPECIFIED MINOR CONSTRUCTION.....	69,186	49,186
ARMY NATIONAL GUARD		
PLANNING AND DESIGN.....	29,593	44,593
MINOR CONSTRUCTION.....	32,744	45,744
AIR NATIONAL GUARD		
PLANNING AND DESIGN.....	3,414	3,414
MINOR CONSTRUCTION.....	9,000	9,000
ARMY RESERVE		
PLANNING AND DESIGN.....	1,218	1,218
MINOR CONSTRUCTION.....	3,819	3,819
NAVY RESERVE		

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PLANNING AND DESIGN.....	3,485	3,485
MINOR CONSTRUCTION.....	3,000	3,000
AIR FORCE RESERVE		
PLANNING AND DESIGN.....	3,270	3,270
MINOR CONSTRUCTION.....	5,647	5,647
SUBTOTAL, WORLDWIDE UNSPECIFIED.....	1,729,490	1,941,467
FAMILY HOUSING, ARMY		
ITALY		
VICENZA		
FAMILY HOUSING NEW CONSTRUCTION (130 UNITS).....	84,100	84,100
KWAJALEIN		
REPLACEMENT CONSTRUCTION (24 UNITS).....	32,000	32,000
PLANNING AND DESIGN.....	3,300	3,300
SUBTOTAL, CONSTRUCTION.....	119,400	119,400
OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE		
UTILITIES ACCOUNT.....	41,183	41,183
SERVICES ACCOUNT.....	8,135	8,135
MANAGEMENT ACCOUNT.....	39,716	39,716
MISCELLANEOUS ACCOUNT.....	526	526
FURNISHINGS ACCOUNT.....	18,004	18,004
LEASING.....	123,841	123,841
MAINTENANCE OF REAL PROPERTY.....	97,789	82,989
PRIVATIZATION SUPPORT COSTS.....	37,948	37,948
SUBTOTAL, OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE.....	387,142	352,342
FAMILY HOUSING, NAVY AND MARINE CORPS		
JAPAN		
YOKOSUKA		
CONSTRUCTION PLANNING AND DESIGN (66 UNITS).....	37,043	37,043
PLANNING AND DESIGN.....	3,128	3,128
PLANNING AND DESIGN FOR USMC/OPRI GUAM.....	2,726	2,726
SUBTOTAL, CONSTRUCTION.....	42,897	42,897
OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE		
UTILITIES ACCOUNT.....	58,429	58,429
SERVICES ACCOUNT.....	16,743	16,743
MANAGEMENT ACCOUNT.....	51,006	51,006
MISCELLANEOUS ACCOUNT.....	350	350
FURNISHINGS ACCOUNT.....	17,977	17,977
LEASING.....	62,658	62,658
MAINTENANCE OF REAL PROPERTY.....	85,630	85,630
PRIVATIZATION SUPPORT COSTS.....	53,700	53,700
SUBTOTAL, OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE.....	346,493	346,493
FAMILY HOUSING, AIR FORCE		
JAPAN		
KADENA		
CONSTRUCTION IMPROVEMENTS (117 UNITS).....	94,245	94,245
PLANNING AND DESIGN.....	2,969	2,969
SUBTOTAL, CONSTRUCTION.....	97,214	97,214
OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE		
UTILITIES ACCOUNT.....	43,173	43,173
MANAGEMENT ACCOUNT.....	64,732	64,732
SERVICES ACCOUNT.....	7,968	7,968
FURNISHINGS ACCOUNT.....	25,805	25,805
MISCELLANEOUS ACCOUNT.....	2,184	2,184
LEASING.....	9,318	9,318
MAINTENANCE OF REAL PROPERTY.....	140,666	140,666
PRIVATIZATION SUPPORT COSTS.....	23,175	23,175
SUBTOTAL, OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE.....	317,021	317,021

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FAMILY HOUSING, DEFENSE-WIDE		
OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE		
NATIONAL SECURITY AGENCY		
UTILITIES ACCOUNT.....	13	13
FURNISHINGS ACCOUNT.....	82	82
LEASING.....	12,996	12,996
MAINTENANCE OF REAL PROPERTY.....	32	32
DEFENSE INTELLIGENCE AGENCY		
UTILITIES ACCOUNT.....	4,100	4,100
FURNISHINGS ACCOUNT.....	645	645
LEASING.....	36,860	36,860
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SUBTOTAL, OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE.....	54,728	54,728
DOD MILITARY UNACCOMPANIED HOUSING IMPROVEMENT FUND...		
DOD FAMILY HOUSING IMPROVEMENT FUND.....	600	600
DOD FAMILY HOUSING IMPROVEMENT FUND.....		
BASE REALIGNMENT AND CLOSURE	5,897	5,897
BASE REALIGNMENT AND CLOSURE ACCOUNT		
BASE REALIGNMENT AND CLOSURE ACCOUNT.....	300,447	480,447
TOTAL, BASE REALIGNMENT AND CLOSURE.....	300,447	480,447
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ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS		
UNFUNDED REQUIREMENTS - SERVICES		
MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, ARMY (Sec. 124).....	---	233,000
MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, NAVY AND MARINE CORPS (Sec. 124).....	---	73,100
MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, AIR FORCE (Sec. 124).....	---	60,000
MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, ARMY NATIONAL GUARD (Sec. 124).....	---	49,835
MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, AIR NATIONAL GUARD (Sec. 124).....	---	29,500
MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, ARMY RESERVE (Sec. 124).....	---	---
MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, NAVY RESERVE (Sec. 124).....	---	---
MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, AIR FORCE RESERVE (Sec. 124).....	---	25,000
MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, AIR FORCE (rescission) (Sec. 126).....	---	-9,975
MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, DEFENSE-WIDE (rescission) (Sec. 126).....	---	-29,838
FAMILY HOUSING SUPPORT AND MANAGEMENT COSTS (Sec. 129).....	---	60,000
MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, MILITARY INSTALLATION RESILIENCE (Sec. 132).....	---	15,000
CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTERS (Sec. 133).....	---	32,200
MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, DEFENSE-WIDE (rescission) (Sec. 134).....	---	-131,000
MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, DEFENSE-WIDE (Sec. 134).....	---	---
DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE BASE CLOSURE ACCOUNT.....	---	-50,000
MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, NAVY AND MARINE CORPS.....	---	-48,000
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SUBTOTAL, UNFUNDED REQUIREMENTS - SERVICES.....	---	306,822

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COST TO COMPLETE PROJECTS - SERVICES		
MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, DEFENSE-WIDE (Sec. 124).....	---	---
MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, ARMY (Sec. 128).....	---	48,000
MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, NAVY AND MARINE CORPS (Sec. 128).....	---	37,700
MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, AIR FORCE (Sec. 128).....	---	75,700
MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, ARMY RESERVE (Sec. 128).....	---	---
MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, NAVY RESERVE (Sec. 128).....	---	---
FAMILY HOUSING CONSTRUCTION, ARMY (Sec. 128).....	---	4,500
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SUBTOTAL, COST TO COMPLETE PROJECT.....	---	165,900
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ADMINISTRATIVE TOTAL.....	---	474,722
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GRAND TOTAL.....	7,813,563	8,064,000
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OVERSEAS CONTINGENCY OPERATIONS  
(AMOUNTS IN THOUSANDS)

	BUDGET REQUEST	FINAL BILL
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GERMANY		
AIR FORCE		
RAMSTEIN		
EDI: RAPID AIRFIELD DAMAGE REPAIR STORAGE.....	36,345	36,345
SPANGDAHLEM AB		
EDI: RAPID AIRFIELD DAMAGE REPAIR STORAGE.....	25,824	25,824
TOTAL, GERMANY.....	62,169	62,169
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ROMANIA		
AIR FORCE		
CAMPIA TURZII		
EDI: DANGEROUS CARGO PAD.....	11,000	11,000
EDI: ECAOS DABS-FEV STORAGE COMPLEX.....	68,000	68,000
EDI: PARKING APRON.....	19,500	19,500
EDI: POL INCREASE CAPACITY.....	32,000	32,000
TOTAL, ROMANIA.....	130,500	130,500
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SPAIN		
NAVY		
ROTA		
EDI: EOD BOAT SHOP.....	31,760	31,760
EDI: EXPEDITIONARY MAINTENANCE FACILITY.....	27,470	27,470
TOTAL, SPAIN.....	59,230	59,230

OVERSEAS CONTINGENCY OPERATIONS  
(AMOUNTS IN THOUSANDS)

	BUDGET REQUEST	FINAL BILL
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WORLDWIDE UNSPECIFIED		
PLANNING AND DESIGN		
ARMY.....	11,903	12,141
NAVY.....	10,790	10,790
AIR FORCE.....	54,800	54,800
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TOTAL, PLANNING AND DESIGN.....	77,493	77,731
MINOR CONSTRUCTION		
ARMY.....	3,970	3,970
AIR FORCE.....	16,400	16,400
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TOTAL, MINOR CONSTRUCTION.....	20,370	20,370