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PROPOSED SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE  
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE AND THE DEPART-  
MENT OF AGRICULTURE

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COMMUNICATION

FROM

THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES

TRANSMITTING

PROPOSED SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR FISCAL YEAR  
1974 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,628,000 FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF  
AGRICULTURE AND \$1,306,000 FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF  
COMMERCE

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THE WHITE HOUSE,  
Washington, D.C., July 1, 1973.

THE PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE.

SIR: I ask the Congress to consider amendments to the requests for appropriations transmitted in the budget for the fiscal year 1974 in the amount of \$1,628,000 for the Department of Agriculture and \$1,306,000 for the Department of Commerce.

These proposals do not affect the totals in the budget that I transmitted to the Congress on January 29, 1973, since most increased outlays will be absorbed. Any outlay which cannot be absorbed are covered by the allowance for contingencies included within the budget totals.

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

Respectfully,

RICHARD NIXON.

Enclosure.

ESTIMATE No. 17  
93d Congress, 1st Session

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT,  
OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET,  
Washington, D.C., July 1, 1973.

The PRESIDENT, THE WHITE HOUSE.

SIR: I have the honor to submit for your consideration amendments to the request for appropriations transmitted in the budget for the fiscal year 1974 involving an increase in the amount of \$1,628,000 for the Department of Agriculture and \$1,306,000 for the Department of Commerce, as follows:

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE  
FOREIGN AGRICULTURAL SERVICE

Budget Appendix page	Heading	Request pending	Proposed Amendment	Revised request
130	Foreign Agricultural Service .....	28,922,000	1,628,000	30,550,000

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Budget Appendix page	Heading	Request pending	Proposed Amendment	Revised request
	DOMESTIC AND INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION			
237	Salaries and expenses..... Limitation on the amount to remain available for international business activities until June 30, 1975.....	48,821,000 (15,033,000)	1,027,000 (1,027,000)	49,848,000 (16,060,000)
	UNITED STATES TRAVEL SERVICE			
211	Salaries and expenses.....	9,000,000	279,000	9,279,000

The proposed amendments would provide for financing additional costs in agricultural attaché and overseas market development programs conducted by the Department of Agriculture and overseas trade and tourism programs conducted by the Department of Commerce resulting from the February 12, 1973, devaluation of the dollar and related currency realignments. Additional funds are required to continue these programs at levels prior to devaluation as reflected in the pending budget request for fiscal year 1974. Outlays for the Foreign Agricultural Service would increase by \$1,628,000 and those of the Department of Commerce will increase by \$1,306,000 in fiscal year 1974 as a result of these proposed amendments.

These proposals will not increase the total spending estimated in the January budget. To the extent outlays associated with the request cannot be absorbed, they are covered by the allowance for contingencies included in the budget estimates.

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

Respectfully,

ROY L. ASH,  
*Director.*

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