

INTENTION TO REALLOCATE FUNDS PREVIOUSLY
TRANSFERRED FROM THE EMERGENCY RESPONSE
FUND

COMMUNICATION

FROM

THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES

TRANSMITTING

NOTIFICATION OF THE INTENTION TO REALLOCATE FUNDS PRE-
VIOUSLY TRANSFERRED FROM THE EMERGENCY RESPONSE
FUND



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THE WHITE HOUSE,
Washington, June 4, 2002.

Hon. J. DENNIS HASTERT,
Speaker of the House of Representatives,
Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: In furtherance of the provisions of Public Law 107-38, the Emergency Supplemental Appropriations Act for Recovery from and Response to Terrorist Attacks on the United States, FY 2001, today I am notifying the Congress of my intent to reallocate funds previously transferred from the Emergency Response Fund.

As provided in Public Law 107-38, \$10.2 million will be made available immediately to the Broadcasting Board of Governors. These funds, originally transferred to the Department of Defense, will support an urgent requirement for radio transmitters in Afghanistan.

The details of this action are set forth in the enclosed letter from the Deputy Director of the Office of Management and Budget. I concur with the attached comments and recommendations.

Sincerely,

GEORGE W. BUSH.

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EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT,
OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET,
Washington, DC, May 31, 2002.

The PRESIDENT,
The White House.

Submitted for your consideration is a request to reallocate funds provided in P.L. 107-38, the Emergency Supplemental Appropriations Act for Recovery from and Response to Terrorist Attacks on the United States, FY 2001. This request would reallocate funds previously transferred from the Emergency Response Fund (ERF) to the Department of Defense (DOD) and now transfer those funds to the Broadcasting Board of Governors (BBG).

Your request to the Congress of September 21, 2001, transferred funds to DOD for initial crisis response. In light of changing security needs, the Administration now believes that a portion of these funds would be better used to finance high-powered radio transmission capability in Afghanistan to support U.S. international broadcasting activities and broadcasts by the Afghan government. Establishing a 400-kilowatt medium wave (AM) transmitting system in Kabul is the most effective means of ensuring nighttime radio coverage of virtually the entire country. These funds will be used for the purchase and installation of transmitters and associated infrastructure, as well as operational costs. This proposal would reallocate \$10.2 million from DOD to BBG for these activities. Pursuant to P.L. 107-38, these funds would be available immediately.

I have carefully reviewed this proposal and am satisfied that it is necessary at this time. Therefore, I join the Broadcasting Board of Governors and the Secretary of Defense in recommending your approval of the requested reallocation.

Sincerely,

NANCY P. DORN,
Deputy Director.

Enclosure.

REALLOCATION OF AMOUNTS PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED AND
TRANSFERRED FROM THE EMERGENCY RESPONSE FUND

Broadcasting Board of Governors (BBG):	
International Broadcasting Operations	\$1,600,000
Broadcasting Capital Improvements	\$8,600,000

The President's request to the Congress of September 21, 2001, transferred funds to the Department of Defense for initial crisis response. In light of changing security needs, the President is now reallocating \$10.2 million to the BBG to support U.S. international broadcasting activities and broadcasts by the Afghan government.

These funds will be used for the purchase and installation of transmitters and associated infrastructure, as well as related operational costs. Pursuant to P.L. 107-38, these funds would be available immediately.

