Public Law 85-546

AN ACT

For the relief of the city of Fort Myers, Florida, and Lee County, Florida.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury is authorized and directed to pay, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated—

(a) to the city of Fort Myers, Florida, the sum of $137,997.64.
   (1) plus the interest payable on bonds issued by such city (for the purpose hereinafter stated) as of the date the next interest payment becomes due (following the date of the enactment of this Act) which is attributable to the period commencing with the date on which the last interest payment became due and ending on the date of payment by the United States of this claim, and
   (2) reduced by the amount of interest which the sum of money heretofore paid by the United States on account of such claim ($174,838.41) would have earned (as determined by the Secretary of the Treasury) had such an amount been invested at the average rate of interest on all marketable obligations of the United States on the last day of the month preceding such payment for the period from the date such amount was paid to such city to the date of payment under this Act.

(b) to Lee County, Florida, the sum of $209,538.99.
   (1) reduced by the amount of interest (as determined by the Secretary of the Treasury) remaining to be paid on bonds issued by such county (for the purpose hereinafter stated) attributable to the period beginning on the date of payment of this claim by the United States and ending on the date such bonds are payable in full, and
   (2) further reduced by the amount of interest which the sum of money heretofore paid by the United States on account of such claim ($237,441.59) would have earned (as determined by the Secretary of the Treasury) had such an amount been invested at the average rate of interest on all marketable obligations of the United States on the last day of the month preceding such payment for the period from the date such amount was paid to such county to the date of payment under this section.

Sec. 2. The payment of such sums shall be in full satisfaction of the claims of the city of Fort Myers, and Lee County, against the United States for compensation for expenses and obligations incurred in connection with the construction of the Buckingham Weapons Center project, Fort Myers, Florida, which project was abandoned by the United States Air Force subsequent to the time such expenditures and obligations were incurred: Provided, That no part of the amounts appropriated in this Act shall be paid or delivered to or received by any agent or attorney on account of services rendered in connection with these claims, and the same shall be unlawful, any contract to the contrary notwithstanding. Any person violating the provisions of this Act shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be fined in any sum not exceeding $1,000.

Approved July 22, 1958.