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would be rewarded for doing so. That mechanism is in place and has no need for change. These program changes will significantly delay getting these resources to the places they are needed most.

I note with regret the other objectionable legislative riders that remain in the bill.

They include a provision intended to allow the construction of a third telescope on Mt. Graham, Arizona, affecting the Mt. Graham red squirrel, Native American cultural lands, and the abortion accreditation provision.

While I am disappointed that the Congress chose to reduce funding for the Legal Services Corporation, I am pleased that the bill assures continued funding of legal services programs for all eligible populations, including migrants.

I am also disappointed that the Congress did not approve my request to increase funding by $250 million for our anti-drug initiative. But I am pleased that the conferees stated their intent to provide additional funds for these important programs in FY 1997, ensuring that we can continue our anti-drug effort at full strength.

Unfortunately, the Congress did not include legislation I had sought to stabilize the Savings Association Insurance Fund. It is important for the Congress to take action on this issue quickly so that we can put the thrift crisis behind us without imposing any further costs on the taxpayers.

In addition, I note that section 119(a) of the Department of the Interior and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 1996, contains a legislative veto, which would be unconstitutional under *INS* v. *Chadha* (462 U.S. 919) (1983). However, because I am suspending section 119(a) pursuant to section 119(b), the constitutional problem will be avoided.

With regard to defense, this bill also permits the Federal Government to undertake a multi-year procurement of the C–17 aircraft, the critical next-generation military transport. The C–17 will greatly enhance our ability to respond to crises around the world; buying it this way will save hundreds of millions of dollars for the taxpayers.

This bill represents true compromise and bipartisan cooperation. Clearly, when we work together we can enact good legislation for the American people.

With this in mind, we should build on our efforts here and move on to the larger challenge of balancing the budget over the next 7 years. The American people deserve a balanced budget, and we should give it to them.

**William J. Clinton**

The White House,
April 26, 1996.

NOTE: H.R. 3019, approved April 26, was assigned Public Law No. 104–134.

## Message to the Congress on Waivers for Environmental Management

*April 26, 1996*

*To the Congress of the United States:*

I hereby report that I have exercised the authority provided to me under subsection 325(c) of the Department of the Interior and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 1996, to suspend subsection 325(a) and 325(b) of such Act. A copy of the suspension is attached.

**William J. Clinton**

The White House,
April 26, 1996.

NOTE: The President exercised authority to waive certain sections of the Omnibus Consolidation Rescissions Act of 1996 (P.L. 103–134) pursuant to provisions of that act.

## Memorandum on Waivers for Environmental Management

*April 26, 1996*

*Memorandum for the Secretary of the Interior, the Secretary of Commerce*

*Subject:* Suspension of the Proviso Limiting Implementation of Subsections (a), (b), (c), (e), (g), or (i) of the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (16 U.S.C. 1533) Contained in the Omnibus Consolidated Rescissions and Appropriations Act of 1996 (H.R. 3019)

By the authority vested in me by the final proviso under the heading of United States Fish and Wildlife Service, Resource Management, of title I of the Department of the Interior and Related Agencies Appropriations

Act, 1996 (authorizing the suspension of the preceding proviso limiting implementation of subsections (a), (b), (c), (e), (g), or (i) of section 4 of the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (16 U.S.C. 1533) (''limitation proviso'')), and section 301 of title 3, United States Code, I hereby suspend that limitation proviso because I have determined that such suspension is appropriate based upon the public interest in sound environmental management, sustainable resource use, protection of national or locally-affected interests, and protection of cultural, biological, or historic resources.

This suspension is effective immediately and shall continue until the limitation proviso expires.

The Secretary of the Interior is authorized to report this suspension to the Congress and to publish this memorandum in the *Federal Register*.

**William J. Clinton**

## Memorandum on Waivers for Environmental Management

*April 26, 1996*

*Memorandum for the Secretary of Agriculture*

*Subject:* Suspension of Subsection 325(a) and Subsection 325(b) of the Department of the Interior and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 1996, (''Act'') as set forth in Section 101(c) of Title I of the Omnibus Consolidated Rescissions and Appropriations Act of 1996 (H.R. 3019) Concerning the Tongass National Forest

By the authority vested in me by subsection 325(c) of the Department of the Interior and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 1996, (''Act'') as set forth in section 101(c) of title I of the Omnibus Consolidated Rescissions and Appropriations Act of 1996 (H.R. 3019), and section 301 of title 3, United States Code, I hereby suspend subsections 325(a) and 325(b) of the Act because I have determined that such suspension is appropriate based upon the public interest in sound environmental management and protection of cultural, biological, or historic resources.

This suspension shall take effect immediately and shall continue in effect for the period in which subsection 325(a) and subsection 325(b) of the Act would otherwise be in effect.

You are authorized and directed to publish this memorandum in the *Federal Register*.

**William J. Clinton**

## Memorandum on Waivers for Environmental Management

*April 26, 1996*

*Memorandum for the Secretary of the Interior*

*Subject:* Suspension of Subsection 119(a) of the Department of the Interior and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 1996, (''Act'') as set forth in Section 101(c) of Title I of the Omnibus Consolidated Rescissions and Appropriations Act of 1996 (H.R. 3019) Regarding the Mojave National Preserve.

By the authority vested in me by subsection 119(b) of the Department of the Interior and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 1996, (''Act'') as set forth in section 101(c) of title I of the Omnibus Consolidated Rescissions and Appropriations Act of 1996 (H.R. 3019), and section 301 of title 3, United States Code, I hereby suspend subsection 119(a) of the Act because I have determined that such suspension is appropriate based upon the public interest in sound environmental management, sustainable resource use, protection of national or locally-affected interests, and protection of cultural, biological, or historic resources.

This suspension shall take effect immediately and shall continue until subsection 119(a) expires.

You are authorized and directed to report this suspension to the Congress and to publish this memorandum in the *Federal Register*.

**William J. Clinton**