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To the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives C

On February 20, 1980, the President's fifth special message for fiscal year 1980 was transmitted to the Congress pursuant to the Impoundment Control Act of 1974. The special message proposes a revision to a previously transmitted rescission proposal decreasing the amount rescinded by \$6.4 million. The special message also proposes two new deferrals of budget authority totalling \$20.0 million and revisions to two previously transmitted deferrals increasing the amount deferred by \$13.9 million.

Our comments on the information submitted in the special message of February 20, 1980, are as follows:

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, EDUCATION AND WELFARE

R80-2A Health Resources Administration AGC00395
Health Resources
7500712, 756/00712, 75X0712

The 45-day period of continuous session during which funds proposed for rescission in R80-2A may be withheld pending congressional consideration of a rescission bill ends March 18, 1980. As we stated in our comments on R80-2, which was proposed in the President's fourth special message dated January 28, 1980, the information and justification supporting R80-2A was already before the Congress in R80-2 and R80-2A merely reduces the amount involved. Therefore, a new 45-day period did not commence upon submission of R80-2A.

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

D80-46 Farmers Home Administration Mutual and Self-Help Housing 12X2006

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, EDUCATION, AND WELFARE AGC OVORG Social Security Administration D80-47 Limitation on Administrative Expenses 75X8704 Human Development Services AGC00166
White House Confi D80-13A White House Conference on Aging White House Conference on Families White House Conference on Children and Youth 75X1636 DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY AG (80727 Office of Revenue Sharing D80-23A State and Local Government Fiscal Assistance Trust Fund 20X8111

We conclude that the information provided in the rescission and deferral proposals is correct and that the actions being proposed have been clearly and accurately stated. A

Comptroller General of the United States