Comptroller General of the United States



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

On February 26, 1993, the President submitted to the Congress the third special impoundment message for fiscal year 1993. This message reports three deferrals of budget authority. We have reviewed these deferrals and found them to be in accordance with the Impoundment Control Act, 2 U.S.C. § 681, <u>et seq</u>., as amended.

We note that the unreported impoundment of budget authority our Office reported to the Congress in our letter of February 5, 1993, B-250728.4, GAO/OGC-93-4, is reported in the President's special message as deferral number D93-12.

Enclosure I provides specific information on the three deferrals which we believe will be useful to the Congress in its examination of the message. Enclosure II provides a list of the deferrals as reported by the President.

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Enclosures

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COMMENTS ON THE THIRD SPECIAL MESSAGE

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE:

D93-12

Forest Service Timber Salvage Sales Amount Deferred: \$222,994,486 12X5204

According to the latest apportionment statement for this account, \$20,000,000 of the amount reported as deferred has been released. The amount currently deferred is \$202,994,486.

FUNDS APPROPRIATED TO THE PRESIDENT

<u>D93-10</u>

Agency for International Development International Disaster Assistance, Executive Amount Deferred: \$63,823,161 <u>11X1035</u>

The latest apportionment statement for this account shows that due to a greater than anticipated carryover of unobligated balances in this account, total budgetary resources are \$83,666,894 and not \$75,465,000 as reported in the message. Also, due to subsequent releases, the amount deferred is \$56,755,055 and not \$63,823,161 as reported in the message.

D93-11

Agency for International Development Sub-Saharan Africa Disaster Assistance, Executive Amount Deferred: \$67,187,957 11X1040

According to the latest apportionment statement for this account the amount deferred is \$13,988,000 and not \$67,187,957 as reported in the message. This change reflects subsequent releases of funds from this account.

CONTENTS OF SPECIAL MESSAGE

(in thousands of dollars)

(as reported by the President)

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DEFERRAL NO.	ITEM	BUDGET AUTHORITY
	Funds Appropriated to the President: Agency for International Development:	
	International disaster assistance,	
D93-10	executive	63,823
	Sub-Saharan Africa disaster assistance,	
D93-11	executive	67,188
	Department of Agriculture:	
	Forest Service:	
D93-12	Timber salvage sales	222,994
	Total, deferrals	354,005