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TO THE CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES:

In accordance with the Impoundment Control Act of 1974, I herewith report six revisions to previously transmitted rescission proposals. Three of the revisions decrease the total amount proposed for rescission by \$3.7 million. The other revisions to proposed rescissions make technical changes to appropriation language which do not affect the amounts proposed for rescission. In addition, I am reporting two new deferrals totaling \$6.4 million and revisions to five previously reported deferrals.

The revisions to rescission proposals affect programs in the Departments of Agriculture and Energy, as well as ACTION and the National Science Foundation. The new deferrals and revisions to existing deferrals involve programs in the Departments of Agriculture, Commerce, Energy, Health and Human Services, and Transportation, as well as the Board for International Broadcasting and the International Communication Agency.

The details of each rescission proposal and deferral are contained in the attached reports.

Budget Rescissions and Deferrals

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# CONTENTS OF SPECIAL MESSAGE (in thousands of dollars)

Rescission#	Item	Budget Authority
R3 1-45A	Department of Agriculture Rural Electrification Administration Rural communication development fund Department of Energy Energy Programs	16,000
R31-130A	Energy supply, research and development activities - operating expenses Other Independent Agencies ACTION	126,232
R31-103A	Operating expenses, domestic programs National Science Foundation	200
R31-110A R31-111A	Research and related activities Science and engineering education activities	66,000 16,000
	Subtotal, rescission proposals	224,432
Rescissio	n of Authority to Incur Obligations for Direct Loans:	
0 R31-122A	ff-Budget Federal Entities:  Department of Agriculture  Rural Electrification Administration  Rural electrification and telephone	
	revolving fund	137,000
	Subtotal, rescission of loan authority	137,000
Deferral #	Item	Budget Authority
	Department of Agriculture	
D3 1-2A	Forest Service Expenses, brush disposal  Department of Commerce	40,570
031-105	National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Promote and develop fishery products and research pertaining to American fisheries Department of Energy	5,000
D31-33B	Energy Programs Fossil energy construction	100,000

Deferral #		Budget Authority
D31-11A	Department of Health and Human Services Office of Assistant Secretary for Health Scientific activities overseas (special foreign	
	currency program)  Department of Transportation  Federal Highway Administration	9,113
D31-39A	Trust fund share of other highway programs Other Independent Agencies	17,735
D31-106	Board for International Broadcasting Grants and expenses International Communication Agency	1,370
D31-76A	Acquisition and construction of radio facilities	13,326
	Subtotal, deferrals	137,119
	Total, rescission proposals and deferrals	593,601

#### SUMMARY OF SPECIAL MESSAGES FOR FY 1981

(in thousands of dollars)

Ninth special message:	Rescissions	Deferrals
New items	-3,675	6,370 16,420
Effect of ninth special message	<b>-3,</b> 675	22,790
Previous special messages	14,757,545	8,585,187 a/
Total amount proposed in special messages	14,753,870 <u>b</u> /	8,607,977 <u>c</u> /

a/ This amount has been adjusted downward by \$5 thousand to correct a discrepancy in a previous special message.

 $<sup>\</sup>underline{b}$ / This amount represents budget authority except for \$751,800 thousand involving authority to incur obligations for direct loans.

<sup>&</sup>lt;u>c</u>/ This amount represents budget authority except for \$61,756 thousand involving the deferral of outlays only (D81-19B).

Report Pursuant to Section 1014(c) of Public Law 93-344

This report revises Rescission No. R81-45, transmitted to the Congress on March 17, 1981.

The amount currently proposed for rescission for the Rural Communication Development Fund of the Rural Electrification Administration is \$16,000,000, rather than \$16,341,000 as originally proposed. This decrease of \$341,000 from the original proposal is being made to reflect elimination from the rescission proposal of funding related to estimated interest expenses. In the absence of this proposal, interest expenses for the program would have been funded using permanent indefinite authority to borrow. If the proposal is accepted by the Congress, these expenses would not be incurred and this authority to borrow would not be used for this program.

	OF BUDGET AUTHORITY tion 1012 of P.L. 93-344	
Agency Department of Agriculture  Bureau Rural Electrification Administration  Appropriation title & symbol  Rural Communication Development Fund 12X4142	New budget authority \$ 34,000,000*  (P.L. 96-528 )	
OMB identification code: 12-4142-0-3-452	Legal authority (in addition to sec. 1012):  Antideficiency Act	
Grant program Yes No  Type of account or fund:  Annual  Multiple-year  (expiration date)	Type of budget authority:  Appropriation  Contract authority  Authority to Borrow	
Justification: This fund is used to make or guarantee loans for community antenna television services or facilities. The Administration believes that it is more appropriate for the		

Rescission Proposal No:\_

Justification: This fund is used to make or guarantee loans for community antenna television services or facilities. The Administration believes that it is more appropriate for the private sector to fund this activity. This rescission proposal is part of the Administration's effort to combat inflation. It has been determined that this reduction can be made without adversely affecting human health and safety or other critical needs. Also, it is believed that sufficient capital will be available from the private sector to fund this activity.

Estimated Effects:\* The proposed rescission would reduce the amount of insured Community Antenna Television Facility loans from \$31.4 million to \$15.4 million.

Outlay Effect:\* (in millions of dollars)

_1981	Outlay	Estimate
With	nout	With
Resciss	sion	Rescission
18.	.9	12.1

	Outlay	Savings	
1981	1982	1983	1984
6.8	9.2		

<sup>\*</sup> Revised from previous report.

# DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE Rural Electrification Administration Rural Communication Development Fund

Of the loan levels authorized under this head in P.L. 96-528, making appropriations for fiscal year 1981, \$16,000,000 are rescinded.

Report Pursuant to Section 1014(c) of Public Law 93-344

This report revises Rescission No. R81-130 transmitted to the Congress on March 19, 1981.

This revision decreases the amount proposed for rescission from \$126,609,000 to \$126,282,000. This decrease of \$327,000 reflects a technical adjustment to the amount proposed for rescission for solar programs from \$57,136,000 to \$56,809,000. This change corrects an error made in the computation of amounts available for rescission that resulted in overstating the proposal by this amount.

This supplementary report also reflects an adjustment to the budgetary resources listed on the original rescission proposal to: (a) correct an omission of amounts made available by the Continuing Resolution ( $^{\rm P.L.}$  96-536) for the Clinch River Breeder Reactor project ( $^{\rm S122}$  million), (b) consider the the effect of an appropriation transfer of  $^{\rm S14.3}$  million from this appropriation account to the Energy Supply, Research and Development - Plant and Capital Equipment account, and (c) reflect the transfer of  $^{\rm S534}$  thousand from the General Administration account to this account for the Assistant Secretary for Nuclear Energy for 14 full-time program employees.

The revised rescission proposal and suggested rescission language attached to this supplementary report reflect these adjustments. In addition, the suggested rescission language has been modified to indicate that no <u>further</u> obligations for direct loans for the Hydropower Feasibility Studies Loan program be made during 1981. This change is being suggested to recognize that direct loans for this program took place prior to proposing this rescission.

#### PROPOSED RESCISSION OF BUDGET AUTHORITY

Report Pursuant to Section 1012 of P.L. 93-344

Agency Department of Energy Bureau Energy Programs	New budget authority96-536* \$ 2,376,988,000 * (P.L. 96-367 )  Other budgetary resources 467,040,818 *
Appropriation title & symbol  Energy Supply, Research and Development	Total budgetary resources 2,844,028,818
Activities - Operating Expenses 89X0224	Amount proposed for rescission \$ 126,282,000*
OMB identification code: 89-0224-0-1-271	Legal authority (in addition to sec. 1012):  Antideficiency Act
Grant program Yes XX No	Other
Type of account or fund:  Annual  Multiple-year	Type of budget authority:  Appropriation  Contract authority  Other

# Justification:

Solar \$56,809,000\*

This proposed rescission is predicated on the new, healthier environment for commercial solar technologies, brought about by the establishment of sound energy pricing policies, primarily through the decontrol of crude oil prices, and extensive solar tax credits. The inequities and inefficiencies built into previous energy pricing policies have prevented solar energy from achieving its true potential. It is now possible to shift the focus of the Department's solar activities from costly near-term development, demonstration, and commercialization efforts to longer-range research and development projects that are too risky for private firms to undertake. Therefore, funds totaling \$56,809,000 for near-term technology development and commercialization activities are proposed for rescission. The Administration believes that these activities should be pursued by the private sector in response to normal market forces. No reduction is proposed for longer-term, high risk (but potentially high payoff) research and development.

Note\*: Additional FY 1981 funds totaling \$34,889,000 are proposed for reprogramming out of the solar energy program and into other programs funded through the Energy Supply, Research and Development Activities, Operating Expenses account.

#### Geothermal - \$9,500,000

Confirmation of a viable geopressured resource by well drilling along the Gulf Coast will be slightly delayed while better well sites are selected.

Short-term technology research and development will be phased out for industry to pursue.

Commercialization activities, principally reservoir confirmation drilling, will be reduced in FY 1981 in anticipation of full assumption of these activities by the private sector during FY 1982.

#### Hydropower - \$24,546,000

It is proposed to terminate feasibility study loans and demonstration grants for small hydropower projects. The program's objective, revitalization of the small hydropower industry in the U.S., has been largely achieved, as evidenced by the tremendous growth of applications at the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission for preliminary permits and licenses. Additionally, sufficient incentives are provided through a 21 percent investment tax credit and through loan programs in the Department of Agriculture.

The termination of the small hydropower feasibility studies and licensing loans should have no overall effect on the level of small hydro project activity although some individual projects could be delayed until they secure other financing. Rescission is also requested for the construction grant funds for the two Nashua, New Hampshire, projects. There is no justification for 100% Federal financing of these projects because the technology is well proven and economically feasible. The effect of the rescission will be that the city of Nashua will have to arrange a general obligation bond issue for financing.

#### Electric Energy Systems - \$4,115,000

This rescission is requested because the Electric Energy Systems' program is phasing out development and demonstration programs that can and should be supported by the private sector and focusing on longer-term high-risk research.

The estimated effects of this rescission are:

- reduction in Power Delivery activities of \$1.5 million which reduces superconducting technology work and cable designs;
- reduction in System Architecture and Integration activities of \$2.3 million phasing out New Technology Integration planning methods which can be adopted by utilities; and
- reduction of \$0.3 million of carryover funds for program direction which is not needed to support current positions.

#### Energy Storage Systems - \$19,333,000

Due to the establishment of sound energy pricing policies and other Federal incentives, this program can concentrate on the most promising long term, generic technology developments. The private sector can be expected to pursue promising near-term technologies on their own in response to market forces. Hence, funds for near-term technology development efforts totaling \$19,333,000 are proposed for rescission.

# Environment - \$8,979,000

# Biological and Environmental Research

Funds in the amount of \$3,979,000 are proposed for rescission on the grounds that short-term, site specific chemical characterization and toxicology are areas of applied research more appropriately managed as part of an industrial research, development and commercialization program.

In order to facilitate the commercialization of energy technologies, funds were appropriated for research on the biological and ecological effects of products, effluents, emissions, and wastes from a variety of energy technologies. This research encompasses both longer-term generic investigations and shorter-term, highly-targeted applied research to provide early environmental information for specific processes. New policies being developed to increase the private sector's contribution to technology demonstration dictate that the short-term, focused site specific research activities are an industrial responsibility. The continuing program would emphasize advanced research to understand and define health and environmental impacts of Departmental technology research and development programs. It is estimated that termination of these efforts will not impede near-term commercialization because essential environmental activities to assure regulatory compliance will be required of the industry.

#### Environmental Assessments

Reduction in funding of \$3,000,000 is proposed due to the elimination of ineffective and duplicative efforts addressed adequately by other offices or agencies.

Energy-related environmental areas affected include nuclear radiation, air quality, water quality and availability, energy facility siting and land management, energy transportation, urban and community impacts, and energy technologies being slated for curtailment. For example, DOE-funded water-for-energy assessments performed by the Water Resources Council will be eliminated as these involve a high degree of duplication of similar efforts required to be performed by DOE under the National Environmental Policy Act. Urban and community impact analyses will be performed by the technology offices which propose projects which have potential urban and community impact.

#### Environmental and Safety Engineering

Funding of \$1,000,000 is proposed for rescission for environmental control evaluation studies of energy technologies. This reduction is due to the elimination of environmental control evaluations which are unnecessary to formulate energy-related environmental policy judgments, and other evaluations at specific demonstration sites which no longer will be DOE-supported. It is estimated that this reduction will have no effect on the Department's ability to make judgments of the environmental control technology aspects of new energy technologies.

#### Program Direction

Funds totaling \$1,000,000 are proposed for rescission in Environmental Program Direction as a result of employment reductions related to reductions and redirection of environmental programs. The end-of-year allowable staffing level is being reduced from 234 full-time permanent (FTP) positions to 220 FTP positions. In terms of staff effort, this results in a reduction of 24 staff years from 234 to 210. The reduction of \$1,000,000 assumes an average salary cost of \$41,000.

# Technical Assessment Projects - \$3,000,000

Funds in the amount of \$3,000,000 are proposed for rescission from the Advanced Technology Projects program. This will reduce program funding in FY 1981 from \$8,000,000 to \$5,000,000 and will result in termination of near-term projects that the private sector can undertake on its own.

## Estimated Effects:\*

Near-term development and commercialization of new energy technologies and low priority environmental research and assessments will be eliminated or reduced by a total of \$126,282,000.

Outlay Effects: \* (in millions of dollars)

1981 Outla	y Estimate
Without	With
Rescission	Rescission
2369.4	2262.4

	Outlay	Savings	
1981	1982	1983	1984
107.0	<b>19.</b> 3	-	

<sup>\*</sup> Revised from previous report.

#### DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

## Operating Expenses

Energy Supply, Research and Development Activities

Of the funds provided under this head in Public Law 96-367, Public Law 96-69 and Public Law 95-482, \$126,282,000 are rescinded. No further obligations for the principal amount of direct loans for the Hydropower Feasibility Studies Loan Program shall be made during 1981.

Report Pursuant to Section 1014(c) of Public Law 93-344

This report revises Rescission No. R81-103, transmitted to the Congress on March 17, 1981.

This revision to a rescission proposal for two programs in ACTION reduces the amount previously proposed for rescission for Volunteers in Service to America from \$1,727,000 to \$200,000 and eliminates the \$1,480,000 previously proposed for rescission for Senior Companions. Except for the \$200,000 presently proposed for rescission, the previous rescission proposal included amounts which are not yet available under the current Continuing Resolution (P.L. 96-536), which expires June 5, 1981.

Rescission	Proposal	No: R81-103A
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## PROPOSED RESCISSION OF BUDGET AUTHORITY

Report Pursuant to Section 1012 of P.L. 93-344

Agency ACTION	New budget authority \$ 113,760,000		
Bureau	(P.L. 96-536)		
Appropriation title & symbol	Other budgetary resources2,040,000*		
Appropriation title & symbol	Total budgetary resources 115,800,000*		
Operating Expenses, Domestic Programs 4410103	Amount proposed for rescission 1/ \$ 200,000*		
OMB identification code:	Legal authority (in addition to sec. 1012):		
44-0103-0-1-506	Antideficiency Act		
Grant program Yes X No	Other		
Type of account or fund:	Type of budget authority:		
X Annual	Appropriation		
Multiple-year	Contract authority		
Multiple-year(expiration date)			
□ No-year			
Justification: Volunteers in Service to America (VISTA) supports full-time volunteers who work with community groups to solve poverty problems.			
A reduction is proposed for this amount			
to reduce spending throughout the Federal or	a part of the Administration's overall plan overnment. A revised 1982 request eliminates		
the expansion of this program which was proj	posed in the January Budget. This rescission		
will prevent 1981 expansion toward a 1982 1	evel that is no longer planned.		
Estimated Effect*: A savings of \$200,000 witrainees and about 8 volunteer service years	ll be realized through the reduction of 200 s from the previously planned level in FY 1981.		
Outlay Effect*: (in millions of dollars)	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1		
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1981 Outlay Estimate	ay Savings		
00010	982 1983 1984		
153.7 153.5 0.2			
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<sup>\*</sup>Revised from previous report

<sup>1/</sup> If an appropriation is made available for the period after the expiration of P.L.-96-536, an additional rescission of funds appropriated under this title will be proposed.

### ACTION

Operating Expenses, Domestic Programs

Of the funds provided under this head for ACTION for fiscal year 1981 in Public Law 96-536, \$200,000 are rescinded.

Report Pursuant to Section 1014(c) of Public Law 93-344

This report revises Rescission No. R81-110 transmitted to the Congress on March 17, 1981.

The National Science Foundation's authorization act for FY 1981 contains a number of minima which should be addressed in the appropriations language effecting the rescission. Revised rescission language to adjust the legislative minima is proposed as part of this supplementary report. If this language change were not made, the Foundation would have to accommodate both the rescission and the legislative minima, which would impose a hardship on individual programs.

Rescission	Proposal	No:	R81-110 A

#### PROPOSED RESCISSION OF BUDGET AUTHORITY

Report Pursuant to Section 1012 of P.L. 93-344

Agency National Science Foundation	New budget authority \$ 987,900,000
Appropriation title & symbol  Research and Related Activities 491/20100	(P.L. 96-526 ) Other budgetary resources 25,000,000  Total budgetary resources 1,012,900,000  Amount proposed for rescission \$ 66,000,000
OMB identification code: 49-0100-0-1-251	Legal authority (in addition to sec. 1012):  Antideficiency Act
Grant program X Yes No	Other
Type of account or fund:  Annual  Multiple-year September 30, 1982  (expiration date)	Type of budget authority:   Appropriation  Contract authority  Other

### Justification:

Programs funded from this appropriation support basic and applied research in all scientific disciplines, engineering and related activities. Support is also provided for the U.S. Antarctic Program, International Cooperative Science, and Science Policy Activities.

Programs which are substantially affected by the proposed reductions are those which are narrowly focused or of less immediate priority in meeting the National Science Foundation's major goals and objectives. Less severe reductions are proposed in core programs. However, the adjusted funding levels will not impair the foundation's ability to maintain its support of critical research or its ability to meet statutory responsibilities for the advancement of science.

These reductions are proposed in order to reduce Federal spending.

#### Estimated Effect:

Research support in the behavioral and neural sciences will be reduced by approximately 13 percent from the planned FY 1981 level; social and economic science programs by 31 percent; industry/university cooperative research projects by 45 percent; the Small Business Innovation Program by 36 percent; University-Based Innovation Centers by 29 percent; 2/4 year college instrumentation support by 42 percent; minority research initiation projects by 6 percent; international science programs by 28 percent; and the Experimental Program to Stimulate Competitive Research by 27 percent. Programs for which all FY 1981 appropriation funding is eliminated are: intergovernmental science programs, the Appropriate Technology Program, Visiting Professorships for Women, National Research Opportunity Grants, and Research Improvement in Minority Institutions.

Programs supporting research in the basic sciences and engineering will be reduced by a total of \$20 million or approximately 2.5 percent.

# Outlay Effect: (in millions of dollars)

1981 Outlay Estimate			Outlay	Savings		
F	Without Rescission	With Rescission	1981	1982	1983	1984
	922.9	901.4	21.5	31.3	13.2	

#### NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION Research and Related Activities

Of the funds appropriated under this head in the Department of Housing and Urban Development-Independent Agencies Appropriation Act, 1981 (P.L. 96-526), \$66,000,000 are rescinded, and of the amounts remaining for Research and Related Activities under P.L. 96-526, (1) not more than \$18,053,000 shall be available for Earthquake Hazards Mitigation, (2) not more than \$1,240,000 shall be available for the establishment and operation of three university-based Innovation Centers, (3) not more than \$2,800,000 shall be available for grants to two-year and four-year colleges for equipment and instrumentation costing \$35,000 or less, (4) not more than \$300,000 shall be available for Small Business Innovation for projects to aid the handicapped, and (5) not more than \$1,400,000 shall be available for special programs for women and minorities in science and technology. None of these funds shall be available for separately targeted programs for Appropriate Technology, Science Faculty Improvement Programs for two-year and four-year college faculty research participation, and research opportunity grants and visiting professorships for women.

Report Pursuant to Section 1014(c) of Public Law 93-344

This report revises Rescission No. R81-111A transmitted to the Congress on March 17, 1981.

The National Science Foundation's authorization act for FY 1981 contains a number of minima which should be addressed in the appropriations language effecting the rescission. Revised rescission language to adjust the legislative minima is proposed as part of this supplementary report. If this language change were not made, the Foundation would have to accommodate both the rescission and the legislative minima, which would impose a hardship on individual programs.

	Rescission Proposal No: R81-111A	
	OF BUDGET AUTHORITY ion 1012 of P.L. 93-344	
Agency National Science Foundation	New budget authority \$ 80,704,000	
Bureau	(P.L. 96-526 ) 5,000,000	
Appropriation title & symbol	Other budgetary resources  Total budgetary resources  85,704,000	
Science and Engineering Education Activities 4910106	Amount proposed for \$ 16,000,00	
OMB identification code: 49-0106-0-1-251	Legal authority (in addition to sec. 1012):  Antideficiency Act	
Grant program X Yes No '	Other	
Type of account or fund:  X Annual	Type of budget authority:  Appropriation	
Multiple-year	Contract authority  Other	

#### Justification:

This appropriation funds the National Science Foundation's programs to strengthen science education at all academic levels. It includes the programs for scientific personnel improvement, science education resources improvement, science education development and research, and a science education communications program.

Specific reductions in these areas are proposed for programs which are less critical to meeting the major goals and objectives of the Foundation and are being made in order to reduce Federal spending.

#### Estimated Effect:

The proposed reductions will reduce funding from the planned FY 1981 level by the following percentages: Comprehensive Assistance to Undergraduate Education, 38 percent; Development in Science Education, 56 percent; Research in Science Education, 33 percent; Public Understanding of Science, 25 percent; and the Science for Citizens program, 35 percent. Funding for the Information Dissemination in Science Education program would be eliminated.

Outlay Effect: (in millions of dollars)

1981 Outlay	Estimate				
Without	With		Outlay	Savings	
Rescission	Rescission	1981	1982	1983	1984
72.8	58.3	14.5	1.5		

# NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION Science Education Activities

Of the funds appropriated under this head in the Department of Housing and Urban Development-Independent Agencies Appropriation Act, 1981 (P.L. 96-526), \$16,000,000 are rescinded, and of the amounts remaining for Science Education Activities under P.L. 96-526, (1) not more than \$15,000,000 shall be available for Women and Minorities in Science and Technology activities as provided in Section 39 of P.L. 96-516, and (2) not more than \$1,200,000 shall be available for science education programs related to appropriate technology.

Report Pursuant to Section 1014(c) of Public Law 93-344

This report revises Rescission No. R81-122, transmitted to the Congress on March 17, 1981.

This revision to a rescission for the Rural Electrification Administration in the Department of Agriculture changes the language previously proposed for the Rural Electrification and Telephone Revolving Fund to make clear that a level of \$125,000,000 is provided for rural telephone loans during 1981.

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Rescission	Proposal	No:
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# PROPOSED RESCISSION OF BUDGET AUTHORITY

Report Pursuant to Section 1012 of P.L. 93-344

Agency Department of Agriculture	Current direct loan limitation \$1,100,000,000	
Bureau Rural Electrification Administration	(P.L96-528) Other budgetary resources	
Appropriation title & symbol Rural Electrification and Telephone	Total loan limitation 1,100,000,000	
Revolving Fund	Amount proposed for 187,000,000 \$	
OMB identification code: 12-4230-0-3-271	Legal authority (in addition to sec. 1012):  Antideficiency Act	
Grant program Yes X No	Other	
Type of account or fund:	Type of budget authority:  Appropriation	
Multiple-year(expiration date)  X No-year	Contract authority Authority to incur obligations Other for direct loans	

#### Justification:

These proposed actions are based on the fact that REA has largely accomplished its purpose to provide the basic investment capital necessary to provide electric and telephone service in rural areas. More than 99% of all farms and rural establishments now have electric service, and more than 90% have telephone service. The bulk of borrowing is now for power generation and system improvements, costs that could be borne by system users.

#### Estimated Effects:

The rescission would reduce direct lending to rural telephone systems (\$125 million) and direct lending to rural electric systems for power generation and transmission facilities (\$62 million).

The major reason that these systems have not already converted to using the private sector as a major capital source is the highly favorable term structure—for both the direct and guaranteed lending—offered by REA. As a consequence, the availability of these subsidies reduces the necessity for recipients to improve their financial positions in order to attract private capital.

Taking these actions will result in a dramatic reduction in direct Federal lending. At the same time, rural electric and telephone consumers served by these systems will continue to receive adequate service at rates comparable to those charged to customers of non-REA-financed utilities.

 $\underline{\text{Outlay Effect}}$ : The rescission of direct loan authority proposed for this account will have no effect on outlays.

#### DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

#### Rural Electrification Administration

Rural Electrification and Telephone Revolving Fund

Loan authorizations provided for the Rural Electrification and Telephone Revolving Fund for fiscal year 1981 in P.L. 96-528, for Section 305 of the Rural Electrification Act of 1936, as amended, are reduced by \$62,000,000 for rural electrification loans and \$125,000,000 for rural telephone loans to provide for a total level of \$788,000,000 for rural electrification loans, and \$125,000,000 for rural telephone loans: Provided, That loans made pursuant to Section 306 of that Act are in addition to these amounts, but during 1981, total commitments to guarantee loans pursuant to Section 306, shall not exceed \$5,145,000,000 of contingent liability for loan principal.

Report Pursuant to Section 1014(c) of Public Law 93-344

This report revises Deferral No. D81-2 transmitted to the Congress on October 1, 1980.

The amount deferred for Expenses, Brush Disposal in the Forest Service, Department of Agriculture, is \$40,569,894, an increase of \$3,227,894 over the amount previously deferred. This increase is attributable to an increase of \$3,227,894 over the previous estimate of unobligated balances brought forward into FY 1981.

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# DEFERRAL OF BUDGET AUTHORITY

Report Pursuant to Section 1013 of P.L. 93-344

Agency Department of Agriculture	New budget authority \$ 41,272,000*
Bureau Forest Service	(P.L. 84-190 ) Other budgetary resources 48,267,894*
Appropriation title & symbol	Total budgetary resources 89,539,894*
Expenses, Brush Disposal, 1/ 12X5206	Amount to be deferred: Part of year \$
	Entire year
OMB identification code: 12-9922-0-2-302	Legal authority (in addition to sec. 1013):  X Antideficiency Act
Grant program ☐ Yes ☒ No	Other
Type of account or fund:  Annual	Type of budget authority:  Appropriation
Multiple-year(expiration date)	☐ Contract authority
No-year	Other

<u>Justification</u>:\* Purchasers of National Forest timber deposit the estimated cost to the Forest Service for disposing of brush and other debris resulting from their cutting operations pursuant to P.L. 84-190. The deposits becoming available in the current year are estimated and the related disposal operations are planned for the following year. Efficient program planning and accomplishment is facilitated by operating a stable program well within the funds available in any one year for this purpose.

An apportionment of \$49.0 million has been made to the Forest Service for this program in 1981 compared with \$46.0 million in 1980 and \$44.5 million in 1979. The current fiscal year reserve of \$40.6 million was established pursuant to the Antideficiency Act (31 USC 665) as a reserve for contingencies.

Disposal operations related to deposits made during certain periods of the year cannot be initiated until weather conditions permit. Thus seasonal factors frequently require deferring the use of deposits until the following fiscal year.

Estimated Effects: There are no programmatic or budgetary effects that result from this action. Rather, the reserve merely reflects the seasonal nature of program funding requirements.

Outlay Effect: This deferral has no effect on outlays.

<sup>1/</sup> This account was the subject of a similar deferral in FY 1980 (D80-3A).

<sup>\*</sup> Revised from previous report.

Deferral	No:	D81-105	

# DEFERRAL OF BUDGET AUTHORITY

Report Pursuant to Section 1013 of P.L. 93-344

Agency Department of Commerce	New budget authority \$ 19,985,204
Bureau National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration	New budget authority \$\frac{19,985,204}{(P.L.\frac{96-536}{0})}\$ Other budgetary resources \( -3,840,990 \)
Appropriation title & symbol	Total budgetary resources 23,826,194
Promote and Develop Fishery Products and Research Pertaining to American Fisheries 13X5139	Amount to be deferred:  Part of year \$ 5,000,000
	Entire year
OMB identification code: 13-5139-0-2-376	Legal authority (in addition to sec. 1013):  Antideficiency Act
Grant program X Yes No	Other
Type of account or fund:  Annual	Type of budget authority:  X Appropriation
Multiple-year	Contract authority
X No-year	Other

<u>Justification</u>: The Fisheries Development Program emphasizes promotion of American fishery products, particularly underutilized species, and technology innovation. This program includes \$12 million for grant/cooperative agreements to support fisheries development and utilization projects.

Funds for the fishery development and utilization projects totaling \$5 million are deferred pending congressional action on a request to transfer those funds to the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration's Operations, Research and Facilities account to offset supplemental requirements for increased pay costs. The remaining funding is sufficient to carry out an effective fisheries program.

This deferral action and the associated transfer request will help reduce Federal spending in accordance with the President's overall economic recovery program.

Estimated Effect: This deferral action will preserve these funds pending congressional action on the transfer request.

Outlay Effect: This deferral has no significant effect on outlays.

Report Pursuant to Section 1014(c) of Public Law 93-344

This report revises Deferral No. D81-33A, transmitted to the Congress on March 10, 1981.

This revision to a deferral for fossil energy construction funds in the Department of Energy revises the coverage of the deferral to indicate that the entire amount deferred is for the SRC II project. The \$42,000,000 originally reported in D81-33 for High Btu Pipeline Gas Demonstration Plants is no longer included in this deferral action, and has been proposed for rescission (R81-64). The amount currently deferred for fossil energy construction is \$100,000,000, \$105,000,000 less than the amount reported in Deferral D81-33A. The release of these previously-deferred funds reflects a reestimation of the funds needed in 1981 to maintain certain project-related activities until consultations with participating foreign governments can be completed.

		D81-33B	
Deferral	No:		_

#### DEFERRAL OF BUDGET AUTHORITY

Report Pursuant to Section 1013 of P.L. 93-344

Agency Department of Energy	New budget authority \$423,300,000	
Bureau Energy Programs	(P.L. 96-514 ) Other budgetary resources 162,706,000	
Appropriation title & symbol	Total budgetary resources 586,006,000	
Fossil Energy Construction 1/89X0214	Amount to be deferred:  Part of year \$  Entire year 100,000,000*	
	Entire year 100,000,000*	
OMB identification code: 89-0214-0-1-271	Legal authority (in addition to sec. 1013):  Antideficiency Act	
Grant program Yes X No		
Type of account or fund:	Type of budget authority:	
☐ Annual	x Appropriation	
Multiple-year(expiration date)	☐ Contract authority	
No-year	Other	

<u>Justification</u>:\* Under the Administration's synthetic fuels policy all funding for fossil energy demonstration projects currently being supported in the Department of Energy would be terminated and project sponsors would be encouraged to seek financial support from the Synthetic Fuels Corporation (SFC), either as synthetic fuel projects or as synthetic fuel "project modules." The Administration has proposed rescissions for these demonstration projects. In the case of the SRC II coal liquefaction plant, no rescission can be proposed until consultations with the international participants in this project have been completed. However, \$100 million in construction funds not needed in FY 1981 are deferred pending completion of these consultations.

Estimated Effect: This deferral of FY 1981 construction funds will have no effect on the completion of the detailed design currently scheduled for completion in 1983 or the completion and final decision on the required environmental impact statement for this project. Some construction phase activities (e.g. long lead procurement) will be delayed pending conclusion of international consultations and possible consideration of this project by the SFC.

Outlay Effects:\* This deferral action will have the effect of shifting \$30 million in FY 1981 outlays into FY 1982.

<sup>\*</sup> Revised from previous report.

<sup>1/</sup> This account is also the subject of a rescission proposal (R81-64).

Report Pursuant to Section 1014(c) of P.L. 93-344

This report revises Deferral No. D81-11, transmitted to the Congress on October 1, 1980.

This revision of a deferral for the Scientific Activities Overseas Program of the Department of Health and Human Services increases the previously reported deferral from \$8,000,000 to \$9,118,281. This increase of \$1,118,281 results from a higher level of unobligated balances actually brought forward into FY 1981 than previously estimated.

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Agency Department of Health and Human Services	New budget authority \$	
Bureau Office of Assistant Secretary for Health	(P.L) Other budgetary resources 18,118,281*	
Appropriation title & symbol	* Total budgetary resources 18,118,281	
Scientific Activities Overseas		
(Special Foreign Currency Program) <u>1</u> / 75X1102	Amount to be deferred: \$	
	Entire year 9,118,281*	
OMB identification code: 75-1102-0-1-552	Legal authority (in addition to sec. 1013):  X Antideficiency Act	
Grant program Yes X No		
Type of account or fund:  Annual	Type of budget authority:  X Appropriation	
Multiple-year(expiration date)	Contract authority	

D81-11A

Deferral No:

Other

Justification: The Scientific activities overseas program of the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) is funded with appropriations which consist of excess foreign currencies owned by the United States. Currencies of Egypt, Burma, Guinea, India, and Pakistan held by the Treasury have been designated as in excess of normal U.S. needs. Funds for this program, which remain available until expended, are used for scientific research projects in those countries.

The amount of funds to be obligated during FY 1981 and the amount to be deferred for the entire year were determined after a careful review of the scientific merit of project proposals in the countries for which excess currency is available. The research projects in those countries that will contribute toward meeting U.S. scientific needs have been selected for funding in FY 1981 by HHS. The amount being deferred is excess to current program requirements and is being reserved for contingencies under provisions of the Antideficiency Act (31 U.S.C. 665).

Estimated Effect: This deferral has no programmatic or budgetary effect because the funds would not be obligated if made available.

Outlay Effect: This deferral action has no effect on outlays.

No-year

<sup>1/</sup> This account was the subject of a similar deferral in FY 1980 (D80-43).

<sup>\*</sup> Revised from previous report.

Report Pursuant to Section 1014(c) of P.L. 93-344

This report revises Deferral No. D81-89, transmitted to the Congress on March 10, 1981.

This revision reports a change in the amount deferred. In the previous report, \$16 million was estimated as the total of 1981 obligations made at the time the program was stopped and the deferral action was taken. The revised estimate of obligations is \$19.8 million, necessitating a downward adjustment of the amount deferred from \$21.5 million to \$17.7 million.

Deferral	No:	D81-89A	
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# DEFERRAL OF BUDGET AUTHORITY Report Pursuant to Section 1013 of P.L. 93-344

Agency Bepartment of Transportation  Bureau Federal Highway Administration  Appropriation title & symbol  Trust Fund Share of Other Highway Programs	New budget authority \$ 25.000.000 (P.L. 95-599 )  Other budgetary resources 65,358,177  P.L. 96-400 -52,858,177  Total budgetary resources 37,500,000 2
69X8009**	Amount to be deferred: Part of year \$
OMB identification code: 68-8009-0-7-401	Legal authority (in addition to sec. 1013):  Antideficiency Act
Grant program Y Yes No	Other
Type of account or fund:  Annual Sept. 30, 1981 1/ Sept. 30, 1982  (expiration date) No-year Sept. 30, 1983 Sept. 30, 1984	Type of budget authority:  Appropriation  Contract authority  Other

# Justification: \*

Section 129 of the Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1973 authorized the Secretary to establish criteria for the location and construction or reconstruction of a National Scenic and Recreational Highway designated as the Great River Road. A single continuous route was designated which runs through all ten States bordering the Mississippi River.

The Surface Transportation Assistance Act of 1978 provides authorizations of \$10 million in general funds and \$25 million in Highway Trust Funds for each of the fiscal years 1979 through 1982. The general fund authorizations require an appropriation to become available. The trust fund authorizations are contract authority and become available on the first day of the fiscal year for which authorized. Current budgetary resources for FY 1981 total \$90.4 million, all of which is against trust fund authority. This consists of \$25 million of new authority for FY 1981 plus \$65.4 million in unobligated balances from prior year authorizations. Section 311 of the Department of Transportation and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 1981 (P.L. 96-400) limits FY 1981 obligations to \$37.5 million.

All segments of the Great River Road other than access spurs have been designated as being on the Federal-aid System and may be improved using regular Federal-aid funds. The discrete Great River Road program is duplicative and unnecessary.

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All unobligated balances remaining available as of March 10, 1981, are deferred. Effective upon that date, all obligational activity was suspended and will remain so through the remainder of this fiscal year. Obligations through this date total \$19.8 million leaving an unobligated balance of \$17.7 million under the obligation limitation. This is the amount being deferred.

This deferral action is an integral component of the President's economic program announced on February 18. The withholding of obligational authority for this program for the remainder of FY 1981 will assist in reducing Federal spending.

Estimated Effects:\* The deferral of \$17.7 million in FY 1981 will cause some or all of the ten States eligible for funding under this program to delay or cancel highway projects planned for the remainder of this fiscal year. However, virtually all of these projects are eligible for funding under the regular Federal-aid Highways program.

Outlay Effects:\* This deferral action will shift an estimated \$5.7 million in FY 1981 outlays into FY 1982.

<sup>\*</sup> Revised from previous report.

<sup>\*\*</sup> While each portion of contract authority is available for four years, the appropriations to liquidate the contract authority are available until expended.

<sup>1/</sup> None of these funds is deferred.

<sup>2/</sup> This amount is the portion of "Trust Fund Share of Other Highway Programs" made available for the Great River Road. Total funds available to the "Trust Fund Share of Other Highway Programs" are \$76,846,595.

D81-106	

Deferral No	٠:	٠.
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# DEFERRAL OF BUDGET AUTHORITY Report Pursuant to Section 1013 of P.L. 93-344

Agency Board for International Broadcasting	New budget authority \$93,905,325 1/
Bureau	(P.L. 96-536 ) Other budgetary resources 1,554,772
Appropriation title & symbol	Total budgetary resources 95,460,097
Grants and Expenses	Amount to be deferred: Part of year \$ 1,370,420
9511145	<u> </u>
	Entire year
OMB identification code: 95-1145-0-1-154	Legal authority (in addition to sec. 1013):  Antideficiency Act
Grant program Yes No	X Other 22 U.S.C. 2871-2877
Type of account or fund:	Type of budget authority:
X Annual	X Appropriation
Multiple-year(expiration date)	Contract authority
□ No-year	Other

Justification: The Board for International Broadcasting is authorized by the Board for International Broadcasting Act of 1973 (22 U.S.C. 2871-2877) to provide assistance to Radio Free Europe/Radio Liberty Inc. (RFE/RL), a private non-profit radio broadcasting organization. Section 8(b) of the Act states "The Director of the Office of Management and Budget shall place in reserve and inform the Congress of any amount appropriated under this section which, because of upward fluctuations in foreign currency exchange rates, is in excess of the amount necessary to maintain the budget level of operation for RFE/RL, Incorporated."

Public Law No. 96-536 appropriated to the Board for 1981, \$99,700,000. The Board, in accordance with regulations established jointly by the Board and the Office of Management and Budget, reported that as of the end of the first quarter of 1981 the net currency exchange gains totaled \$1,370,420. Therefore, funds totaling \$1.4 million are deferred. These funds will be used to offset any currency exchange losses occurring later in the year. If no losses are experienced, the funds will be proposed for rescission at a later date.

This deferral action is taken in accordance with the International Broadcasting Act of 1973, and the Antideficiency Act (31 U.S.C. 665).

#### Estimated Effects

No programmatic effect results from this deferral since planned program levels of Radio Free Europe/Radio Liberty will be maintained in 1981.

#### Outlay Effect

If there are no exchange rate losses in the remainder of 1981, the reported exchange rate gains and resulting deferral will reduce outlays by \$1.4 million while maintaining current program. These outlay savings will be offset by the amount of any exchange rate losses.

1/In addition \$5,794,674 is not available pursuant to P.L. 94-350 and 96-536.

Report Pursuant to Section 1014(c) of Public Law 93-344

This report revises Deferral D81-76 transmitted to the Congress on February 13, 1981.

The amount deferred for Acquisition and Construction of Radio Facilities, International Communication Agency is \$13,325,600, an increase of \$12,073,600 over the amount previously deferred. This increase is attributable primarily to project delays caused by the opportunity to place new Voice of America transmitters in different, and technically more advantageous, locations than were originally planned.

Deferral No: D81-76A	
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# DEFERRAL OF BUDGET AUTHORITY Report Pursuant to Section 1013 of P.L. 93-344

Agency International Communication Agency	New budget authority \$ 2,562,000
Bureau	(P.L. 96-536 ) Other budgetary resources 21,338,658
Appropriation title & symbol	Total budgetary resources 23,900,658
Acquisition and Construction of Radio Facilities	
67X02 <b>04</b>	Amount to be deferred:  Part of year \$
07.70204	Entire year 13,325,600*
OMB identification code: 67-0204-0-1-154	Legal authority (in addition to sec. 1013):  X Antideficiency Act
Grant program Yes No	
Type of account or fund:  Annual  Multiple-year  (expiration date)	Type of budget authority:  X Appropriation  Contract authority  Other

Justification: The United States International Communication Agency (ICA) is authorized by the United States Information and Educational Exchange Act of 1948, as amended (22 U.S.C. 1431 et. seq.), the Mutual Educational and Cultural Exchange Act of 1961 (22 U.S.C. 2451 et seq.), Executive Order No. 11034 of June 25, 1952, as amended, and Reorganization Plan No. 2 of 1977, to carry out international communication, cultural and educational exchange programs.

The International Communication Agency Authorization Act, Fiscal Year 1980-1981 (P.L. 96-60, approved August 15, 1979) authorized appropriations for ICA. The Continuing Resolution for 1981 (P.L. 96-536, approved December 16, 1980) appropriated \$2,562,000, to remain available until expended, for the "Acquisition and Construction of Radio Facilities" account primarily to expand the transmitter capacity of the Voice of America's (VOA) worldwide broadcasting system.

This \$2,562,000, together with funds appropriated in prior years, will be used to maintain and update existing VOA facilities and to expand transmitter facilities in East Asia, Africa, and Europe. Opportunities have arisen for constructing new short-wave facilities in Sri Lanka and Botswana. These possibilities, which did not exist when plans for the presently available funds were formulated, offer the potential for better coverage in those parts of Africa and Asia where existing signals are the weakest. Thus, the four transmitters originally purchased for Liberia will be installed at the Botswana site. Two of the four transmitters intended for the Philippines will be installed in Sri Lanka as part of a planned six transmitter facility. New budget authority has been requested in 1982 to provide the additional funds needed to construct the Botswana and Sri lanka facilities. Also, the scheduled completion of the modernization of the Master Control Complex in Washington has been delayed until 1982. Because design work and the need for additional funds will delay construction, \$13,325,600 for these projects is being deferred for the remainder of FY 1981.

<u>Estimated Effects</u>:\* Because of the project changes noted above, the amount deferred could not be obligated before fiscal year 1982. Therefore, no programmatic effects will result from the deferral action.

 $\underline{\text{Outlay Effects}}$ :\* There is no outlay effect of this deferral, because the funds would not be obligated if made available.

<sup>\*</sup> Revised from previous report

1981 Special Msg Under the Impossible Control Act of 1974

To College. 4/23/81 4:30 pm

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# **STAFFING MEMORANDUM**

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SUI	BJECT:				
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	VICE PRESIDENT			JAMES	
	MEESE			MURPHY	
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	ALLEN			FULLER (For Cabinet)	
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	BRADY			HODSOLL	
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Remarks:

Richard G. Darman
Deputy Assistant to the President
and Staff Secretary
(x-2702)



#### EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

#### OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20503

APR 2 3 1981

MEMORANDUM FOR: THE PRESIDENT

FROM:

David A. Stockman

SUBJECT:

1981 Special Message Under the Impoundment

Control Act of 1974

A special message to the Congress under the Impoundment Control Act of 1974 is attached for your signature.

This special message contains:

- Revisions to three rescissions involving programs in the Rural Electrification Administration, the Department of Energy, and ACTION which result in a net reduction of \$3.7 million in the amount proposed for rescission. These are necessary technical corrections.
- Revisions to appropriation language for two rescission proposals for the National Science Foundation and for a proposal to rescind loan authority in the Rural Electrification Administration. These revisions are technical corrections of the language and do not affect the amounts proposed for rescission.
- New deferrals of \$5.0 million for the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration in the Department of Commerce, and \$1.4 million for the Board for International Broadcasting.
- Revisions to three deferrals for programs in the Departments of Agriculture and Health and Human Services, and the International Communication Agency to report increases in deferred amounts totaling \$16.4 million.
- Two technical revisions to deferrals involving a change in the application of a Department of Energy deferral, and a reestimation of obligations that had been reported earlier in a deferral for the Department of Transportation.

### Analysis of Budget Costs

The effect of the actions taken in this special message on outlays is as follows:

#### Recommendation

I recommend that this special message be transmitted to the Congress as soon as possible.

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TO THE CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES:

In accordance with the Impoundment Control Act of 1974, I herewith report six revisions to previously transmitted rescission proposals. Three of the revisions decrease the total amount proposed for rescission by \$3.7 million. The other revisions to proposed rescissions make technical changes to appropriation language which do not affect the amounts proposed for rescission. In addition, I am reporting two new deferrals totaling \$6.4 million and revisions to five previously reported deferrals.

The revisions to rescission proposals affect programs in the Departments of Agriculture and Energy, as well as ACTION and the National Science Foundation. The new deferrals and revisions to existing deferrals involve programs in the Departments of Agriculture, Commerce, Energy, Health and Human Services, and Transportation, as well as the Board for International Broadcasting and the International Communication Agency.

The details of each rescission proposal and deferral are contained in the attached reports.

THE WHITE HOUSE,

# CONTENTS OF SPECIAL MESSAGE (in thousands of dollars)

Rescission#	Item	Budget Authority
R3 1-45A	Department of Agriculture Rural Electrification Administration Rural communication development fund Department of Energy Energy Programs	16,000
R31-130A	Energy supply, research and development activities - operating expenses Other Independent Agencies ACTION	126,232
R31-103A	Operating expenses, domestic programs National Science Foundation	200
R31-110A R31-111A	Research and related activities Science and engineering education activities	66,000 16,000
	Subtotal, rescission proposals	224,432
Rescissio	n of Authority to Incur Obligations for Direct Loans:	
O R31-122A	ff-Budget Federal Entities:  Department of Agriculture  Rural Electrification Administration  Rural electrification and telephone  revolving fund	137,000
	Subtotal, rescission of loan authority	137,000
Deferral #	Item	Budget Authority
D31-2A	Department of Agriculture Forest Service Expenses, brush disposal	40,570
D31-105	Department of Commerce  National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration  Promote and develop fishery products and research pertaining to American fisheries  Department of Energy	5,000
D31-33B	Energy Programs Fossil energy construction	100,000

Deferral #	Item	Budget Authority
D31-11A	Department of Health and Human Services Office of Assistant Secretary for Health Scientific activities overseas (special foreign	0.119
	Currency program)  Department of Transportation	9,118
	Federal Highway Administration	
D31-39A	Trust fund share of other highway programs	17,735
	Other Independent Agencies	
D31-106	Board for International Broadcasting Grants and expenses	1,370
D)1 100	International Communication Agency	1,570
D31-76A	Acquisition and construction of radio facilities	13,326
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-	Subtotal, deferrals	137,119
	Total, rescission proposals and deferrals	593,601

#### SUMMARY OF SPECIAL MESSAGES FOR FY 1981

(in thousands of dollars)

Ninth special message:	Rescissions	Deferrals
New items	-3,675	6,370 16,420
Effect of ninth special message	<b>-3,</b> 675	22,790
Previous special messages	14,757,545	8,585,187 a/
Total amount proposed in special messages	14,753,870 <u>b</u> /	8,607,977 <u>c</u> /

a/ This amount has been adjusted downward by \$5 thousand to correct a discrepancy in a previous special message.

 $<sup>\</sup>underline{b}$ / This amount represents budget authority except for \$751,800 thousand involving authority to incur obligations for direct loans.

c/ This amount represents budget authority except for \$61,756 thousand involving the deferral of outlays only (D81-19B).

Report Pursuant to Section 1014(c) of Public Law 93-344

This report revises Rescission No. R81-45, transmitted to the Congress on March 17, 1981.

The amount currently proposed for rescission for the Rural Communication Development Fund of the Rural Electrification Administration is \$16,000,000, rather than \$16,341,000 as originally proposed. This decrease of \$341,000 from the original proposal is being made to reflect elimination from the rescission proposal of funding related to estimated interest expenses. In the absence of this proposal, interest expenses for the program would have been funded using permanent indefinite authority to borrow. If the proposal is accepted by the Congress, these expenses would not be incurred and this authority to borrow would not be used for this program.

		R81-45A
Rescission	Proposal	No:

## PROPOSED RESCISSION OF BUDGET AUTHORITY

Report Pursuant to Section 1012 of P.L. 93-344

Agency Department of Agriculture	New budget authority \$ 34,000,000*		
Bureau Rural Electrification Administration	(P.L. 96-528 ) 1,180,000*		
Appropriation title & symbol	Total budgetary resources 3.5,180,000		
Rural Communication Development Fund 12X4142	Amount proposed for rescission \$ 16,000,000*		
OMB identification code: 12-4142-0-3-452	Legal authority (in addition to sec. 1012):  Antideficiency Act		
Grant program Yes X No	Other		
Type of account or fund:	Type of budget authority:  Appropriation		
☐ Multiple-year	Contract authority		
(expiration date)  No-year	X Other Authority to Borrow		

Justification: This fund is used to make or guarantee loans for community antenna television services or facilities. The Administration believes that it is more appropriate for the private sector to fund this activity. This rescission proposal is part of the Administration's effort to combat inflation. It has been determined that this reduction can be made without adversely affecting human health and safety or other critical needs. Also, it is believed that sufficient capital will be available from the private sector to fund this activity.

Estimated Effects:\* The proposed rescission would reduce the amount of insured Community Antenna Television Facility loans from \$31.4 million to \$15.4 million.

Outlay Effect:\* (in millions of dollars)

1981 Outlay	Estimate	
Without	With	
Rescission	Rescission	
18.9	12.1	

	Outlay	Savings	
1981	1982	1983	1984
6.8	9.2		

<sup>\*</sup> Revised from previous report.

# DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE Rural Electrification Administration Rural Communication Development Fund

Of the loan levels authorized under this head in P.L. 96-528, making appropriations for fiscal year 1981, \$16,000,000 are rescinded.

Report Pursuant to Section 1014(c) of Public Law 93-344

This report revises Rescission No. R81-130 transmitted to the Congress on March 19, 1981.

This revision decreases the amount proposed for rescission from \$126,609,000 to \$126,282,000. This decrease of \$327,000 reflects a technical adjustment to the amount proposed for rescission for solar programs from \$57,136,000 to \$56,809,000. This change corrects an error made in the computation of amounts available for rescission that resulted in overstating the proposal by this amount.

This supplementary report also reflects an adjustment to the budgetary resources listed on the original rescission proposal to: (a) correct an omission of amounts made available by the Continuing Resolution (P.L. 96-536) for the Clinch River Breeder Reactor project (\$122 million), (b) consider the the effect of an appropriation transfer of \$14.3 million from this appropriation account to the Energy Supply, Research and Development - Plant and Capital Equipment account, and (c) reflect the transfer of \$534 thousand from the General Administration account to this account for the Assistant Secretary for Nuclear Energy for 14 full-time program employees.

The revised rescission proposal and suggested rescission language attached to this supplementary report reflect these adjustments. In addition, the suggested rescission language has been modified to indicate that no <u>further</u> obligations for direct loans for the Hydropower Feasibility Studies Loan program be made during 1981. This change is being suggested to recognize that direct loans for this program took place prior to proposing this rescission.

Rescission	Proposal	No:_	R81-130A
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#### PROPOSED RESCISSION OF BUDGET AUTHORITY

Report Pursuant to Section 1012 of P.L. 93-344

Agency Department of Energy  Bureau Energy Programs  Appropriation title & symbol  Energy Supply, Research and Development	New budget authority96-536* \$ 2,376,988,000 * (P.L. 96-367 )  Other budgetary resources		
Activities - Operating Expenses 89X0224	Amount proposed for rescission \$ 126,282,000*		
OMB identification code: 89-0224-0-1-271	Legal authority (in addition to sec. 1012):  Antideficiency Act		
Grant program Yes XX No	Other		
Type of account or fund:  Annual  Multiple-year  (expiration date)	Type of budget authority:  Appropriation  Contract authority  Other		

# Justification:

Solar \$56,809,000\*

This proposed rescission is predicated on the new, healthier environment for commercial solar technologies, brought about by the establishment of sound energy pricing policies, primarily through the decontrol of crude oil prices, and extensive solar tax credits. The inequities and inefficiencies built into previous energy pricing policies have prevented solar energy from achieving its true potential. It is now possible to shift the focus of the Department's solar activities from costly near-term development, demonstration, and commercialization efforts to longer-range research and development projects that are too risky for private firms to undertake. Therefore, funds totaling \$56,809,000 for near-term technology development and commercialization activities are proposed for rescission. The Administration believes that these activities should be pursued by the private sector in response to normal market forces. No reduction is proposed for longer-term, high risk (but potentially high payoff) research and development.

Note\*: Additional FY 1981 funds totaling \$34,889,000 are proposed for reprogramming out of the solar energy program and into other programs funded through the Energy Supply, Research and Development Activities, Operating Expenses account.

<sup>\*</sup> Revised from previous report.

Confirmation of a viable geopressured resource by well drilling along the Gulf Coast will be slightly delayed while better well sites are selected.

Short-term technology research and development will be phased out for industry to pursue.

Commercialization activities, principally reservoir confirmation drilling, will be reduced in FY 1981 in anticipation of full assumption of these activities by the private sector during FY 1982.

#### Hydropower - \$24,546,000

It is proposed to terminate feasibility study loans and demonstration grants for small hydropower projects. The program's objective, revitalization of the small hydropower industry in the U.S., has been largely achieved, as evidenced by the tremendous growth of applications at the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission for preliminary permits and licenses. Additionally, sufficient incentives are provided through a 21 percent investment tax credit and through loan programs in the Department of Agriculture.

The termination of the small hydropower feasibility studies and licensing loans should have no overall effect on the level of small hydro project activity although some individual projects could be delayed until they secure other financing. Rescission is also requested for the construction grant funds for the two Nashua, New Hampshire, projects. There is no justification for 100% Federal financing of these projects because the technology is well proven and economically feasible. The effect of the rescission will be that the city of Nashua will have to arrange a general obligation bond issue for financing.

## Electric Energy Systems - \$4,115,000

This rescission is requested because the Electric Energy Systems' program is phasing out development and demonstration programs that can and should be supported by the private sector and focusing on longer-term high-risk research.

The estimated effects of this rescission are:

- reduction in Power Delivery activities of \$1.5 million which reduces superconducting technology work and cable designs;
- reduction in System Architecture and Integration activities of \$2.3 million phasing out New Technology Integration planning methods which can be adopted by utilities; and
- reduction of \$0.3 million of carryover funds for program direction which is not needed to support current positions.

# Energy Storage Systems - \$19,333,000

Due to the establishment of sound energy pricing policies and other Federal incentives, this program can concentrate on the most promising long term, generic technology developments. The private sector can be expected to pursue promising near-term technologies on their own in response to market forces. Hence, funds for near-term technology development efforts totaling \$19,333,000 are proposed for rescission.

## Biological and Environmental Research

Funds in the amount of \$3,979,000 are proposed for rescission on the grounds that short-term, site specific chemical characterization and toxicology are areas of applied research more appropriately managed as part of an industrial research, development and commercialization program.

In order to facilitate the commercialization of energy technologies, funds were appropriated for research on the biological and ecological effects of products, effluents, emissions, and wastes from a variety of energy technologies. This research encompasses both longer-term generic investigations and shorter-term, highly-targeted applied research to provide early environmental information for specific processes. New policies being developed to increase the private sector's contribution to technology demonstration dictate that the short-term, focused site specific research activities are an industrial responsibility. The continuing program would emphasize advanced research to understand and define health and environmental impacts of Departmental technology research and development programs. It is estimated that termination of these efforts will not impede near-term commercialization because essential environmental activities to assure regulatory compliance will be required of the industry.

#### Environmental Assessments

Reduction in funding of \$3,000,000 is proposed due to the elimination of ineffective and duplicative efforts addressed adequately by other offices or agencies.

Energy-related environmental areas affected include nuclear radiation, air quality, water quality and availability, energy facility siting and land management, energy transportation, urban and community impacts, and energy technologies being slated for curtailment. For example, DOE-funded water-for-energy assessments performed by the Water Resources Council will be eliminated as these involve a high degree of duplication of similar efforts required to be performed by DOE under the National Environmental Policy Act. Urban and community impact analyses will be performed by the technology offices which propose projects which have potential urban and community impact.

#### Environmental and Safety Engineering

Funding of \$1,000,000 is proposed for rescission for environmental control evaluation studies of energy technologies. This reduction is due to the elimination of environmental control evaluations which are unnecessary to formulate energy-related environmental policy judgments, and other evaluations at specific demonstration sites which no longer will be DOE-supported. It is estimated that this reduction will have no effect on the Department's ability to make judgments of the environmental control technology aspects of new energy technologies.

#### Program Direction

Funds totaling \$1,000,000 are proposed for rescission in Environmental Program Direction as a result of employment reductions related to reductions and redirection of environmental programs. The end-of-year allowable staffing level is being reduced from 234 full-time permanent (FTP) positions to 220 FTP positions. In terms of staff effort, this results in a reduction of 24 staff years from 234 to 210. The reduction of \$1,000,000 assumes an average salary cost of \$41,000.

## Technical Assessment Projects - \$3,000,000

Funds in the amount of \$3,000,000 are proposed for rescission from the Advanced Technology Projects program. This will reduce program funding in FY 1981 from \$8,000,000 to \$5,000,000 and will result in termination of near-term projects that the private sector can undertake on its own.

#### Estimated Effects:\*

Near-term development and commercialization of new energy technologies and low priority environmental research and assessments will be eliminated or reduced by a total of \$126,282,000.

Outlay Effects:\* (in millions of dollars)

1981 Out1	ay Estimate
Without	With
Rescission	Rescission
2369.4	2262.4

	Outlay	Savings	
1981	1982	1983	1984
107.0	<b>19.</b> 3		

<sup>\*</sup> Revised from previous report.

#### DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

#### Operating Expenses

Energy Supply, Research and Development Activities

Of the funds provided under this head in Public Law 96-367, Public Law 96-69 and Public Law 95-482, \$126,282,000 are rescinded. No further obligations for the principal amount of direct loans for the Hydropower Feasibility Studies Loan Program shall be made during 1981.

Report Pursuant to Section 1014(c) of Public Law 93-344

This report revises Rescission No. R81-103, transmitted to the Congress on March 17, 1981.

This revision to a rescission proposal for two programs in ACTION reduces the amount previously proposed for rescission for Volunteers in Service to America from \$1,727,000 to \$200,000 and eliminates the \$1,480,000 previously proposed for rescission for Senior Companions. Except for the \$200,000 presently proposed for rescission, the previous rescission proposal included amounts which are not yet available under the current Continuing Resolution (P.L. 96-536), which expires June 5, 1981.

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#### PROPOSED RESCISSION OF BUDGET AUTHORITY

Report Pursuant to Section 1012 of P.L. 93-344

Agency ACTION	New budget authority \$ 113,760,000
Bureau	(P.L. 96-536)
	Other budgetary resources2,040,000*
Appropriation title & symbol	Total budgetary resources 115,800,000*
Operating Expenses, Domestic Programs	Amount proposed for
4410103	rescission 1/ \$\$
OMB identification code:	Legal authority (in addition to sec. 1012):
44-0103-0-1-506	Antideficiency Act
Grant program Yes X No	Other
Type of account or fund:	Type of budget authority:
X Annual	Appropriation
Multiple-year(expiration date)	Contract authority
No-year (expiration date)	Other
Justification* Volunteers in Service to Am	erica (VISTA) supports full-time volunteers

who work with community groups to solve poverty problems.

A reduction is proposed for this program as a part of the Administration's overall plan to reduce spending throughout the Federal government. A revised 1982 request eliminates the expansion of this program which was proposed in the January Budget. This rescission will prevent 1981 expansion toward a 1982 level that is no longer planned.

Estimated Effect\*: A savings of \$200,000 will be realized through the reduction of 200 trainees and about 8 volunteer service years from the previously planned level in FY 1981.

Outlay Effect\*: (in millions of dollars)

1981 Outla	ay Estimate				
Without	With	0	utlay Sa	vings	
Rescission	Rescission	1981	1982	1983	1984
153.7	153.5	0.2			

<sup>\*</sup>Revised from previous report

 $<sup>\</sup>underline{1}/$  If an appropriation is made available for the period after the expiration of P.L.-96-536, an additional rescission of funds appropriated under this title will be proposed.

#### ACTION

Operating Expenses, Domestic Programs

Of the funds provided under this head for ACTION for fiscal year 1981 in Public Law 96-536, \$200,000 are rescinded.

Report Pursuant to Section 1014(c) of Public Law 93-344

This report revises Rescission No. R81-110 transmitted to the Congress on March 17, 1981.

The National Science Foundation's authorization act for FY 1981 contains a number of minima which should be addressed in the appropriations language effecting the rescission. Revised rescission language to adjust the legislative minima is proposed as part of this supplementary report. If this language change were not made, the Foundation would have to accommodate both the rescission and the legislative minima, which would impose a hardship on individual programs.

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## PROPOSED RESCISSION OF BUDGET AUTHORITY

Report Pursuant to Section 1012 of P.L. 93-344

Agency National Science Foundation	New budget authority \$ 987,900,000
Bureau	New budget authority \$ 987,900,000 (P.L. 96-526 ) Other budgetary resources 25,000,000
Appropriation title & symbol	Total budgetary resources 1,012,900,000
Research and Related Activities 491/20100	Amount proposed for rescission \$ 66,000,000
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OMB identification code: 49-0100-0-1-251	Legal authority (in addition to sec. 1012):  Antideficiency Act
Grant program X Yes No	Other
Type of account or fund:  Annual  Multiple-year September 30, 1982  (expiration date)	Type of budget authority:  X Appropriation  Contract authority
No-year	Other
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#### Justification:

Programs funded from this appropriation support basic and applied research in all scientific disciplines, engineering and related activities. Support is also provided for the U.S. Antarctic Program, International Cooperative Science, and Science Policy Activities.

Programs which are substantially affected by the proposed reductions are those which are narrowly focused or of less immediate priority in meeting the National Science Foundation's major goals and objectives. Less severe reductions are proposed in core programs. However, the adjusted funding levels will not impair the foundation's ability to maintain its support of critical research or its ability to meet statutory responsibilities for the advancement of science.

These reductions are proposed in order to reduce Federal spending.

#### Estimated Effect:

Research support in the behavioral and neural sciences will be reduced by approximately 13 percent from the planned FY 1981 level; social and economic science programs by 31 percent; industry/university cooperative research projects by 45 percent; the Small Business Importation Program by 36 percent; University-Based Innovation Centers by 29 percent; 2/4 year college instrumentation support by 42 percent; minority research initiation projects by 6 percent; international science programs by 28 percent; and the Experimental Program to Stimulate Competitive Research by 27 percent. Programs for which all FY 1981 appropriation funding is eliminated are: intergovernmental science programs, the Appropriate Technology Program, Visiting Professorships for Women, National Research Opportunity Grants, and Research Improvement in Minority Institutions.

Programs supporting research in the basic sciences and engineering will be reduced by a total of \$20 million or approximately 2.5 percent.

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Outlay Effect: (in millions of dollars)

1981 Outlay Estimate		Outlay Savings				
-	Without Rescission	With Rescission	1981	1982	1983	1984
	922.9	901.4	21.5	31.3	13.2	

# NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION Research and Related Activities

Of the funds appropriated under this head in the Department of Housing and Urban Development-Independent Agencies Appropriation Act, 1981 (P.L. 96-526), \$66,000,000 are rescinded, and of the amounts remaining for Research and Related Activities under P.L. 96-526, (1) not more than \$18,053,000 shall be available for Farthquake Hazards Mitigation, (2) not more than \$1,240,000 shall be available for the establishment and operation of three universitybased Innovation Centers, (3) not more than \$2,800,000 shall be available for grants to two-year and four-year colleges for equipment and instrumentation costing \$35,000 or less, (4) not more than \$300,000 shall be available for Small Business Innovation for projects to aid the handicapped, and (5) not more than \$1,400,000 shall be available for special programs for women and minorities in science and technology. None of these funds shall be available for separately targeted programs for Appropriate Technology, Science Faculty Improvement Programs for two-year and four-year college faculty research participation, and research opportunity grants and visiting professorships for women.

Report Pursuant to Section 1014(c) of Public Law 93-344

This report revises Rescission No. R81-111A transmitted to the Congress on March 17, 1981.

The National Science Foundation's authorization act for FY 1981 contains a number of minima which should be addressed in the appropriations language effecting the rescission. Revised rescission language to adjust the legislative minima is proposed as part of this supplementary report. If this language change were not made, the Foundation would have to accommodate both the rescission and the legislative minima, which would impose a hardship on individual programs.

Rescission	Proposal	No:R81-]]]A
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#### PROPOSED RESCISSION OF BUDGET AUTHORITY

Report Pursuant to Section 1012 of P.L. 93-344

Agency National Science Foundation	New budget authority \$ 80,704,000			
Bureau	(P.L. 96-526 ) 5,000,000 Other budgetary resources			
Appropriation title & symbol	Total budgetary resources 85,704,000			
Science and Engineering Education Activities				
4910106	Amount proposed for rescission \$ 16,000,000			
OMB identification code: 49-0106-0-1-251	Legal authority (in addition to sec. 1012):  Antideficiency Act			
Grant program X Yes No	Other			
Type of account or fund:  X Annual	Type of budget authority:  Appropriation			
Multiple-year	Contract authority			
(expiration date)	Other			
Justification:	·			

This appropriation funds the National Science Foundation's programs to strengthen science education at all academic levels. It includes the programs for scientific personnel improvement, science education resources improvement, science education development and research, and a science education communications program.

Specific reductions in these areas are proposed for programs which are less critical to meeting the major goals and objectives of the Foundation and are being made in order to reduce Federal spending.

#### Estimated Effect:

The proposed reductions will reduce funding from the planned FY 1981 level by the following percentages: Comprehensive Assistance to Undergraduate Education, 38 percent; Development in Science Education, 56 percent; Research in Science Education, 33 percent; Public Understanding of Science, 25 percent; and the Science for Citizens program, 35 percent. Funding for the Information Dissemination in Science Education program would be eliminated.

Outlay Effect: (in millions of dollars)

1981-Outlag	y Estimate		*		
Without	With	-	Outlay	Savings	
Rescission	Rescission	1981	1982	1983	1984
72.8	58.3	14.5	1.5		

#### NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION Science Education Activities

Of the funds appropriated under this head in the Department of Housing and Urban Development-Independent Agencies Appropriation Act, 1981 (P.L. 96-526), \$16,000,000 are rescinded, and of the amounts remaining for Science Education Activities under P.L. 96-526, (1) not more than \$15,000,000 shall be available for Women and Minorities in Science and Technology activities as provided in Section 39 of P.L. 96-516, and (2) not more than \$1,200,000 shall be available for science education programs related to appropriate technology.

Report Pursuant to Section 1014(c) of Public Law 93-344

This report revises Rescission No. R81-122, transmitted to the Congress on March 17, 1981.

This revision to a rescission for the Rural Electrification Administration in the Department of Agriculture changes the language previously proposed for the Rural Electrification and Telephone Revolving Fund to make clear that a level of \$125,000,000 is provided for rural telephone loans during 1981.

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# PROPOSED RESCISSION OF BUDGET AUTHORITY

Report Pursuant to Section 1012 of P.L. 93-344

Agency Department of Agriculture	Current direct loan limitation \$1,100,000,000  (P.L. 96-528 )  Other budgetary resources  Total loan limitation  Amount proposed for rescission  \$ 1,100,000,000  \$ 187,000,000			
Appropriation title & symbol Rural Electrification and Telephone Revolving Fund  12X4230				
OMB identification code: 12-4230-0-3-271	Legal authority (in addition to sec. 1012):  Antideficiency Act			
Grant program Yes X No	☐ Other			
Type of account or fund:	Type of budget authority:  Appropriation			
Multiple-year(expiration date)  X No-year	Contract authority Authority to incur obligations Other for direct loans			

#### Justification:

These proposed actions are based on the fact that REA has largely accomplished its purpose to provide the basic investment capital necessary to provide electric and telephone service in rural areas. More than 99% of all farms and rural establishments now have electric service, and more than 90% have telephone service. The bulk of borrowing is now for power generation and system improvements, costs that could be borne by system users.

#### Estimated Effects:

The rescission would reduce direct lending to rural telephone systems (\$125 million) and direct lending to rural electric systems for power generation and transmission facilities (\$62 million).

The major reason that these systems have not already converted to using the private sector as a major capital source is the highly favorable term structure—for both the direct and guaranteed lending—offered by REA. As a consequence, the availability of these subsidies reduces the necessity for recipients to improve their financial positions in order to attract private capital.

Taking these actions will result in a dramatic reduction in direct Federal lending. At the same time, rural electric and telephone consumers served by these systems will continue to receive adequate service at rates comparable to those charged to customers of non-REA-financed utilities.

 $\underline{\text{Outlay Effect}}$ : The rescission of direct loan authority proposed for this account will have no effect on outlays.

#### DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

#### Rural Electrification Administration

Rural Electrification and Telephone Revolving Fund

Loan authorizations provided for the Rural Electrification and Telephone Revolving Fund for fiscal year 1981 in P.L. 96-528, for Section 305 of the Rural Electrification Act of 1936, as amended, are reduced by \$62,000,000 for rural electrification loans and \$125,000,000 for rural telephone loans to provide for a total level of \$788,000,000 for rural electrification loans, and \$125,000,000 for rural telephone loans: Provided, That loans made pursuant to Section 306 of that Act are in addition to these amounts, but during 1981, total commitments to guarantee loans pursuant to Section 306, shall not exceed \$5,145,000,000 of contingent liability for loan principal.

Report Pursuant to Section 1014(c) of Public Law 93-344

This report revises Deferral No. D81-2 transmitted to the Congress on October 1, 1980.

The amount deferred for Expenses, Brush Disposal in the Forest Service, Department of Agriculture, is \$40,569,894, an increase of \$3,227,894 over the amount previously deferred. This increase is attributable to an increase of \$3,227,894 over the previous estimate of unobligated balances brought forward into FY 1981.

Deferral	No:	D81-2A
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### DEFERRAL OF BUDGET AUTHORITY

Report Pursuant to Section 1013 of P.L. 93-344

Agency Department of Agriculture	New budget authority \$ 41,272,000*
Bureau Forest Service	(P.L. 84-190 ) Other budgetary resources 48,267,894*
Appropriation title & symbol	Total budgetary resources89,539,894*
Expenses, Brush Disposal, 1/ 12X5206	Amount to be deferred: Part of year \$
	Entire year40,569,894*
OMB identification code: 12-9922-0-2-302	Legal authority (in addition to sec. 1013):  X Antideficiency Act
Grant program Yes No	Other
Type of account or fund:  Annual	Type of budget authority:  X Appropriation
Multiple-year(expiration date)	☐ Contract authority
X No-year	Other

Justification:\* Purchasers of National Forest timber deposit the estimated cost to the Forest Service for disposing of brush and other debris resulting from their cutting operations pursuant to P.L. 84-190. The deposits becoming available in the current year are estimated and the related disposal operations are planned for the following year. Efficient program planning and accomplishment is facilitated by operating a stable program well within the funds available in any one year for this purpose.

An apportionment of \$49.0 million has been made to the Forest Service for this program in 1981 compared with \$46.0 million in 1980 and \$44.5 million in 1979. The current fiscal year reserve of \$40.6 million was established pursuant to the Antideficiency Act (31 USC 665) as a reserve for contingencies.

Disposal operations related to deposits made during certain periods of the year cannot be initiated until weather conditions permit. Thus seasonal factors frequently require deferring the use of deposits until the following fiscal year.

<u>Estimated Effects</u>: There are no programmatic or budgetary effects that result from this action. Rather, the reserve merely reflects the seasonal nature of program funding requirements.

Outlay Effect: This deferral has no effect on outlays.

<sup>1/</sup> This account was the subject of a similar deferral in FY 1980 (D80-3A).

<sup>\*</sup> Revised from previous report.

Deferral No: D81-105

Agency Department of Commerce	New budget authority \$ 19,985,204
Bureau National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration	(P.L. 96-536 ) Other budgetary resources 3,840,990
Appropriation title & symbol	Total budgetary resources 23,826,194
Promote and Develop Fishery Products and Research Pertaining to American Fisheries 13X5139	Amount to be deferred: Part of year \$5,000,000
	Entire year
OMB identification code: 13-5139-0-2-376	Legal authority (in addition to sec. 1013):  Antideficiency Act
Grant program X Yes No	Other
Type of account or fund:  Annual	Type of budget authority:  X Appropriation
Multiple-year(expiration date)	☐ Contract authority
X No-year	Other

<u>Justification</u>: The Fisheries Development Program emphasizes promotion of American fishery products, particularly underutilized species, and technology innovation. This program includes \$12 million for grant/cooperative agreements to support fisheries development and utilization projects.

Funds for the fishery development and utilization projects totaling \$5 million are deferred pending congressional action on a request to transfer those funds to the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration's Operations, Research and Facilities account to offset supplemental requirements for increased pay costs. The remaining funding is sufficient to carry out an effective fisheries program.

This deferral action and the associated transfer request will help reduce Federal spending in accordance with the President's overall economic recovery program.

Estimated Effect: This deferral action will preserve these funds pending congressional action on the transfer request.

Outlay Effect: This deferral has no significant effect on outlays.

Report Pursuant to Section 1014(c) of Public Law 93-344

This report revises Deferral No. D81-33A, transmitted to the Congress on March 10, 1981.

This revision to a deferral for fossil energy construction funds in the Department of Energy revises the coverage of the deferral to indicate that the entire amount deferred is for the SRC II project. The \$42,000,000 originally reported in D81-33 for High Btu Pipeline Gas Demonstration Plants is no longer included in this deferral action, and has been proposed for rescission (R81-64). The amount currently deferred for fossil energy construction is \$100,000,000, \$105,000,000 less than the amount reported in Deferral D81-33A. The release of these previously-deferred funds reflects a reestimation of the funds needed in 1981 to maintain certain project-related activities until consultations with participating foreign governments can be completed.

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Deferral	No:		

### DEFERRAL OF BUDGET AUTHORITY

Report Pursuant to Section 1013 of P.L. 93-344

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Agency Department of Energy	New budget authority \$423,300,000
Bureau Energy Programs	(P.L. 96-514) Other budgetary resources 162,706,000
Appropriation title & symbol	
	Total budgetary resources 586,006,000
Fossil Energy Construction 1/89X0214	Amount to be deferred: Part of year \$
	Entire year 100,000,000*
OMB identification code: 89-0214-0-1-271	Legal authority (in addition to sec. 1013):  Antideficiency Act
Grant program Yes X No	Other
Type of account or fund:  Annual	Type of budget authority:
Aimuai	Appropriation
Multiple-year(expiration date)	☐ Contract authority
X No-year	Other

Justification:\* Under the Administration's synthetic fuels policy all funding for fossil energy demonstration projects currently being supported in the Department of Energy would be terminated and project sponsors would be encouraged to seek financial support from the Synthetic Fuels Corporation (SFC), either as synthetic fuel projects or as synthetic fuel "project modules." The Administration has proposed rescissions for these demonstration projects. In the case of the SRC II coal liquefaction plant, no rescission can be proposed until consultations with the international participants in this project have been completed. However, \$100 million in construction funds not needed in FY 1981 are deferred pending completion of these consultations.

Estimated Effect: This deferral of FY 1981 construction funds will have no effect on the completion of the detailed design currently scheduled for completion in 1983 or the completion and final decision on the required environmental impact statement for this project. Some construction phase activities (e.g. long lead procurement) will be delayed pending conclusion of international consultations and possible consideration of this project by the SFC.

Outlay Effects:\* This deferral action will have the effect of shifting \$30 million in FY 1981 outlays into FY 1982.

<sup>\*</sup> Revised from previous report.

 $<sup>\</sup>underline{1}$ / This account is also the subject of a rescission proposal (R81-64).

Report Pursuant to Section 1014(c) of P.L. 93-344

This report revises Deferral No. D81-11, transmitted to the Congress on October 1, 1980.

This revision of a deferral for the Scientific Activities Overseas Program of the Department of Health and Human Services increases the previously reported deferral from \$8,000,000 to \$9,118,281. This increase of \$1,118,281 results from a higher level of unobligated balances actually brought forward into FY 1981 than previously estimated.

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Deferral	No:		

Agency Department of Health and Human Services	New budget authority \$	
Bureau Office of Assistant Secretary for Health	(P.L) Other budgetary resources 18,118,281*	
Appropriation title & symbol	* Total budgetary resources 18,118,281	
Scientific Activities Overseas	local budgetaly resources appropriate	
(Special Foreign Currency Program) $\underline{1}/$ 75X1102	Amount to be deferred: Part of year ' \$	
	Entire year 9,118,281*	
OMB identification code: 75-1102-0-1-552	Legal authority (in addition to sec. 1013):  X Antideficiency Act	
Grant program Yes X No	Other	
Type of account or fund:	Type of budget authority:	
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☐ Annual	X Appropriation	
Multiple-year(expiration date)	Contract authority	
X No-year	Other	

Justification: The Scientific activities overseas program of the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) is funded with appropriations which consist of excess foreign currencies owned by the United States. Currencies of Egypt, Burma, Guinea, India, and Pakistan held by the Treasury have been designated as in excess of normal U.S. needs. Funds for this program, which remain available until expended, are used for scientific research projects in those countries.

The amount of funds to be obligated during FY 1981 and the amount to be deferred for the entire year were determined after a careful review of the scientific merit of project proposals in the countries for which excess currency is available. The research projects in those countries that will contribute toward meeting U.S. scientific needs have been selected for funding in FY 1981 by HHS. The amount being deferred is excess to current program requirements and is being reserved for contingencies under provisions of the Antideficiency Act (31 U.S.C. 665).

Estimated Effect: This deferral has no programmatic or budgetary effect because the funds would not be obligated if made available.

Outlay Effect: This deferral action has no effect on outlays.

<sup>1/</sup> This account was the subject of a similar deferral in FY 1980 (D80-43).

<sup>\*</sup> Revised from previous report.

Report Pursuant to Section 1014(c) of P.L. 93-344

This report revises Deferral No. D81-89, transmitted to the Congress on March 10, 1981.

This revision reports a change in the amount deferred. In the previous report, \$16 million was estimated as the total of 1981 obligations made at the time the program was stopped and the deferral action was taken. The revised estimate of obligations is \$19.8 million, necessitating a downward adjustment of the amount deferred from \$21.5 million to \$17.7 million.

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Agency Department of Transportation	New budget authority \$ 25,000,000		
Bureau Federal Highway Administration	(P.L. 95-599 ) Other budgetary resources 65,358,177		
Appropriation title & symbol	P.L. 96-400 -52,858,177		
Trust Fund Share of Other Highway Programs	Total budgetary resources 37,500,000		
69X8009**	Amount to be deferred: Part of year \$		
•	Entire year		
OMB identification code: 68-8009-0-7-401	Legal authority (in oddition to sec. 1013):  Antideficiency Act		
Grant program Y Yes No	Other		
Type of account or fund:    Annual	Type of budget authority:  Appropriation  Contract authority  Other		

### Justification: \*

Section 129 of the Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1973 authorized the Secretary to establish criteria for the location and construction or reconstruction of a National Scenic and Recreational Highway designated as the Great River Road. A single continuous route was designated which runs through all ten States bordering the Mississippi River.

The Surface Transportation Assistance Act of 1978 provides authorizations of \$10 million in general funds and \$25 million in Highway Trust Funds for each of the fiscal years 1979 through 1982. The general fund authorizations require an appropriation to become available. The trust fund authorizations are contract authority and become available on the first day of the fiscal year for which authorized. Current budgetary resources for FY 1981 total \$90.4 million, all of which is against trust fund authority. This consists of \$25 million of new authority for FY 1981 plus \$65.4 million in unobligated balances from prior year authorizations. Section 311 of the Department of Transportation and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 1981 (P.L. 96-400) limits FY 1981 obligations to \$37.5 million.

All segments of the Great River Road other than access spurs have been designated as being on the Federal-aid System and may be improved using regular Federal-aid funds. The discrete Great River Road program is duplicative and unnecessary.

All unobligated balances remaining available as of March 10, 1981, are deferred. Effective upon that date, all obligational activity was suspended and will remain so through the remainder of this fiscal year. Obligations through this date total \$19.8 million leaving an unobligated balance of \$17.7 million under the obligation limitation. This is the amount being deferred.

This deferral action is an integral component of the President's economic program announced on February 18. The withholding of obligational authority for this program for the remainder of FY 1981 will assist in reducing Federal spending.

Estimated Effects:\* The deferral of \$17.7 million in FY 1981 will cause some or all of the ten States eligible for funding under this program to delay or cancel highway projects planned for the remainder of this fiscal year. However, virtually all of these projects are eligible for funding under the regular Federal-aid Highways program.

Outlay Effects:\* This deferral action will shift an estimated \$5.7 million in FY 1981 outlays into FY 1982.

<sup>\*</sup> Revised from previous report.

<sup>\*\*</sup> While each portion of contract authority is available for four years, the appropriations to liquidate the contract authority are available until expended.

<sup>1/</sup> None of these funds is deferred.

Z/ This amount is the portion of "Trust Fund Share of Other Highway Programs" made available for the Great River Road. Total funds available to the "Trust Fund Share of Other Highway Programs" are \$76,846,595.

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Deferral	No:	

Agency Board for International Broadcasting	New budget authority \$93,905,325 1/
Bureau	(P.L. 96-536 ) Other budgetary resources 1,554,772
Appropriation title & symbol	Total budgetary resources 95,460,097
Grants and Expenses 9511145	Amount to be deferred: Part of year \$ 1,370,420
	Entire year
OMB identification code: 95-1145-0-1-154	Legal authority (in addition to sec. 1013):  Antideficiency Act
Grant program Yes No	X Other <u>22 U.S.C. 2871</u> -2877
Type of account or fund:  X Annual	Type of budget authority:  X Appropriation
Multiple-year	Contract authority
No-year	Other

Justification: The Board for International Broadcasting is authorized by the Board for International Broadcasting Act of 1973 (22 U.S.C. 2871-2877) to provide assistance to Radio Free Europe/Radio Liberty Inc. (RFE/RL), a private non-profit radio broadcasting organization. Section 8(b) of the Act states "The Director of the Office of Management and Budget shall place in reserve and inform the Congress of any amount appropriated under this section which, because of upward fluctuations in foreign currency exchange rates, is in excess of the amount necessary to maintain the budget level of operation for RFE/RL, Incorporated."

Public Law No. 96-536 appropriated to the Board for 1981, \$99,700,000. The Board, in accordance with regulations established jointly by the Board and the Office of Management and Budget, reported that as of the end of the first quarter of 1981 the net currency exchange gains totaled \$1,370,420. Therefore, funds totaling \$1.4 million are deferred. These funds will be used to offset any currency exchange losses occurring later in the year. If no losses are experienced, the funds will be proposed for rescission at a later date.

This deferral action is taken in accordance with the International Broadcasting Act of 1973, and the Antideficiency Act (31 U.S.C. 665).

### Estimated Effects

No programmatic effect results from this deferral since planned program levels of Radio Free Europe/Radio Liberty will be maintained in 1981.

### Outlay Effect

If there are no exchange rate losses in the remainder of 1981, the reported exchange rate gains and resulting deferral will reduce outlays by \$1.4 million while maintaining current program. These outlay savings will be offset by the amount of any exchange rate losses.

1/In addition \$5,794,674 is not available pursuant to P.L. 94-350 and 96-536.

Report Pursuant to Section 1014(c) of Public Law 93-344

This report revises Deferral D81-76 transmitted to the Congress on February 13, 1981.

The amount deferred for Acquisition and Construction of Radio Facilities, International Communication Agency is \$13,325,600, an increase of \$12,073,600 over the amount previously deferred. This increase is attributable primarily to project delays caused by the opportunity to place new Voice of America transmitters in different, and technically more advantageous, locations than were originally planned.

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Agency International Communication Agency  Bureau  New budget authority (P.L. 96-536) Other budgetary resources  Appropriation title & symbol Acquisition and Construction of Radio Facilities  Amount to be deferred: Part of year Entire year  OMB identification code: 67-0204-0-1-154  Grant program			
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Justification: The United States International Communication Agency (ICA) is authorized by the United States Information and Educational Exchange Act of 1948, as amended (22 U.S.C. 1431 et. seq.), the Mutual Educational and Cultural Exchange Act of 1961 (22 U.S.C. 2451 et seq.), Executive Order No. 11034 of June 25, 1952, as amended, and Reorganization Plan No. 2 of 1977, to carry out international communication, cultural and educational exchange programs.

The International Communication Agency Authorization Act, Fiscal Year 1980-1981 (P.L. 96-60, approved August 15, 1979) authorized appropriations for ICA. The Continuing Resolution for 1981 (P.L. 96-536, approved December 16, 1980) appropriated \$2,562,000, to remain available until expended, for the "Acquisition and Construction of Radio Facilities" account primarily to expand the transmitter capacity of the Voice of America's (VOA) worldwide broadcasting system.

This \$2,562,000, together with funds appropriated in prior years, will be used to maintain and update existing VOA facilities and to expand transmitter facilities in East Asia, Africa, and Europe. Opportunities have arisen for constructing new short-wave facilities in Sri Lanka and Botswana. These possibilities, which did not exist when plans for the presently available funds were formulated, offer the potential for better coverage in those parts of Africa and Asia where existing signals are the weakest. Thus, the four transmitters originally purchased for Liberia will be installed at the Botswana site. Two of the four transmitters intended for the Philippines will be installed in Sri Lanka as part of a planned six transmitter facility. New budget authority has been requested in 1982 to provide the additional funds needed to construct the Botswana and Sri lanka facilities. Also, the scheduled completion of the modernization of the Master Control Complex in Washington has been delayed until 1982. Because design work and the need for additional funds will delay construction, \$13,325,600 for these projects is being deferred for the remainder of FY 1981.

 $\underline{\text{Outlay Effects}}$ :\* There is no outlay effect of this deferral, because the funds would not be obligated if made available.

<sup>\*</sup> Revised from previous report

### THE WHITE HOUSE

### Office of the Press Secretary

For Immediate Release

April 27, 1981

TO THE CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES:

In accordance with the Impoundment Control Act of 1974, I herewith report six revisions to previously transmitted rescission proposals. Three of the revisions decrease the total amount proposed for rescission by \$3.7 million. The other revisions to proposed rescissions make technical changes to appropriation language which do not affect the amounts proposed for rescission. In addition, I am reporting two new deferrals totaling \$6.4 million and revisions to five previously reported deferrals.

The revisions to rescission proposals affect programs in the Departments of Agriculture and Energy, as well as ACTION and the National Science Foundation. The new deferrals and revisions to existing deferrals involve programs in the Departments of Agriculture, Commerce, Energy, Health and Human Services, and Transportation, as well as the Board for International Broadcasting and the International Communication Agency.

The details of each rescission proposal and deferral are contained in the attached reports.

RONALD REAGAN

THE WHITE HOUSE,
April 27, 1981

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Honorable Ronald Reagan The White House Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. President:

WALTER P. KENNEDY

MINORITY SERGEANT AT ARMS

I must take this opportunity to comment but please don't waste any time on an acknowledgment.

Last evening you were superb. You drew accolades from all even though some came begrudingly. For instance, George Danielson commented to us that like Liberace, ragrdless of how you feel about him, you hit every key.

When you were struck down we commented here what a bad day it was for the Irish. Four down. But last night in chatting with Peter Rodino I was happy to say the Irish have risen again - this time with an addition - Peter Sweeney. All are in agreement with this.

As you so well pointed out in your speech America is a caring and loving country. Its history and record have proven this. The world has almost become dependent on its generosity. And now, America once again has a President it can love.

With prayers and best wishes for you and yours, I am

Respectfully

alter P. Kennedy

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