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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS, Washington, DC, April —, 2016.

Hon. PAUL D. RYAN, Speaker, U.S. House of Representatives, Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: By direction of the Committee on Appropriations, I submit herewith the committee's report on the interim sub-

allocation of budget allocations for fiscal year 2017.

When the committee drafted this report the House had yet to adopt a concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2017 or otherwise provide a discretionary allocation to the Appropriations Committee. However, this report follows the intent of section 302(b) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 by providing an initial allocation of fiscal year 2017 spending authority for one subcommittee. This initial suballocation will help facilitate floor action on the Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies Appropriations bill and will fit within the current law levels of discretionary budget authority established in the Bipartisan Budget Act of 2015 (P.L. 114–74). When the House acts to adopt a concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2017 or otherwise sets a discretionary topline, the committee will fully distribute the allocation provided to it.

Sincerely,

HAROLD ROGERS, Chairman.

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REPORT ON THE INTERIM SUBALLOCATION OF BUDGET ALLOCATIONS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2017

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Mr. ROGERS, from the Committee on Appropriations, submitted the following

REPORT

INTERIM SUBALLOCATION OF BUDGET ALLOCATIONS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2017

The Committee on Appropriations submits the following report on the interim suballocation of budget allocations for fiscal year 2017.

At the time the committee drafted this report, the House had not adopted a conference report on the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2017 nor has it otherwise deemed a discretionary allocation to the Appropriations Committee. In addition, the House does not have existing statutory authority corresponding to section 102 of the Bipartisan Budget Act of 2015 (P.L. 114–74), which, in the Senate, if a concurrent resolution on the budget has not been adopted by the April 15th date, allows the Chairman of the Senate Committee on the Budget to file and enforce aggregate spending and revenue levels and to provide a section 302(a) allocation of discretionary budget authority consistent with the Bipartisan Budget Act of 2015. In the absence of completing action on such concurrent resolution for the budget, the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 allows appropriations bills in the House to proceed to the floor after May 15th.

Despite these obstacles, the Appropriations Committee intends to fulfill its responsibilities and proceed with the development of the fiscal year 2017 appropriations bills. As an initial step toward getting the appropriations process going this year, the committee has provided an interim 302(b) suballocation for the fiscal year 2017 Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies Appropriations bill, the first bill to be considered by the committee.

This allocation is being made to facilitate the consideration of the

bill by the House as soon as the opportunity arises.

The committee notes that providing such an interim suballocation is not without precedent. At the start of the fiscal year 2015 appropriations process the committee faced an early start as well as a late Budget submission by the President which delayed the Congressional Budget Office from producing the updated budget data used to score appropriations bills. The committee reported an initial interim set of 302(b) suballocations for two subcommittees. A full set of allocations for all 12 subcommittees was reported less than a month later.

The committee, in developing this interim allocation, has been guided by the defense and nondefense totals set forth in the Bipartisan Budget Act of 2015 which are enforced through sequestration.

By submitting this interim report and beginning its work on appropriations bills at this time, the committee will be in the best possible position to report all fiscal year 2017 appropriations bills to the House under regular order.

INTERIM SUBALLOCATION TO MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, VETERANS AFFAIRS, AND RELATED AGENCIES FISCAL YEAR 2017 BUDGET AUTHORITY AND OUTLAYS

[In millions of dollars]

	Discretionary			
Subcommittee	General Purpose	Overseas Contingencies	Mandatory	Total
Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies:				
Budget authority	81,471	172	101,433	183,076
Outlays	82,987	1	101,074	184,062
Interim total:				
Budget authority	81,471	172	101,433	183,076
Outlays	82.987	1	101.074	184.062

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