

MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF
HOMELAND SECURITY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING
SEPTEMBER 30, 2004, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

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Mr. ROGERS of Kentucky, from the committee of conference,
submitted the following

CONFERENCE REPORT

[To accompany H.R. 2555]

The committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses on the amendment of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 2555) “making appropriations for the Department of Homeland Security for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2004, and for other purposes”, having met, after full and free conference, have agreed to recommend and do recommend to their respective Houses as follows:

That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate, and agree to the same with an amendment, as follows:

In lieu of the matter stricken and inserted by said amendment, insert:

That the following sums are appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the Department of Homeland Security for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2004, and for other purposes, namely:

**TITLE I—DEPARTMENTAL MANAGEMENT AND
OPERATIONS**

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY AND EXECUTIVE MANAGEMENT

For necessary expenses of the Office of the Secretary of Homeland Security, as authorized by section 102 of the Homeland Security Act of 2002 (6 U.S.C. 112), and executive management of the Department of Homeland Security, as authorized by law, \$80,794,000: Provided, That not to exceed \$40,000 shall be for allo-

involvement of the user community in development and implementation of standards such as those being developed by Project 25 which allow for backward compatibility with existing digital and analog systems and provide for interoperability in future systems.

EMERGING THREATS

The conferees agree to provide \$21,000,000 as proposed by the House.

CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE PROTECTION

The conferees agree to provide \$66,500,000, of which \$60,000,000 is provided for research, development, testing, and evaluation of an anti-missile device for commercial aircraft. Funding of \$500,000 is transferred to management and administration for federal salaries and expenses.

UNIVERSITY PROGRAM/HOMELAND SECURITY FELLOWSHIP PROGRAMS

The conferees agree to provide \$70,000,000, an increase of \$60,000,000 over the budget request of \$10,000,000, to establish a university-based system to enhance the nation's homeland security efforts. The conferees encourage the Department to consider all colleges and universities that meet the requirements of 6 U.S.C. 188 in the selection of university-based centers, including historically black colleges and universities, tribal colleges, Hispanic-serving institutions, and Alaskan Native-serving institutions.

NATIONAL BIODEFENSE ANALYSIS AND COUNTERMEASURES CENTER

The conferees agree to provide \$88,000,000 to initiate construction of a National Biodefense Analysis and Countermeasures Center that is to be the principal Department of Homeland Security component of the Fort Detrick Interagency Biodefense Campus in Maryland.

CONFERENCE FUNDING LEVELS

<i>Program</i>	<i>Amount</i>
Biological countermeasures	\$198,500,000
Nuclear and radiological countermeasures	127,000,000
Chemical countermeasures	52,000,000
High explosives countermeasures	9,500,000
Threat and vulnerability, testing and assessment	93,500,000
Conventional missions in support of DHS	34,000,000
Rapid prototyping/Technical support working group	75,000,000
Standards/State and local program	39,000,000
Emerging threats	21,000,000
Critical infrastructure protection	66,500,000
University programs/homeland security fellowships	70,000,000
National Biodefense Analysis and Countermeasures Center	88,000,000
Total, Assessments and Evaluations	874,000,000

TITLE V—GENERAL PROVISIONS

(INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

Section 501. The conferees agree to a provision that no part of any appropriation shall remain available for obligation beyond the current year unless expressly provided.