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The Honorable Richard B. Cheney
President of the Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Mr. President:

The Department of Defense requests that the Congress enact the enclosed National Defense Authorization Bill for Fiscal Year 2007.

Included in this year's bill are a number of proposals that arose from the Quadrennial Defense Review Report delivered to the Congress in February 2006: Logistic Support of Allied Forces for Combined Operations; Protection of Information Regarding Weapons of Mass Destruction; Duties Relating to Defense Against Weapons of Mass Destruction; Change to Acquisition and Cross-Servicing Agreements Definition to Allow Loan of Significant Military Equipment; Amendments to Presidential Reserve Call-Up Authority; Threshold for Medical Facility Projects; Expansion of Operations of Civil Support Teams; Indexing TRICARE Program Cost Sharing Amounts; Establishment of a Health Savings Account Choice Pilot Program for Department of Defense Retirees and Their Families Not Eligible for Medicare.

The purpose of each proposal is stated in the accompanying section-by-section analysis.

In the coming weeks, the Department will propose a few additional legislative initiatives for inclusion in the same bill.

The Office of Management and Budget advises that there is no objection, from the standpoint of the Administration's program, to the presenting of these legislative proposals for your consideration and the consideration of the Congress.

Sincerely,

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