

REP. CALVERT
FY26 – Defense
Manager's Amendment #1

# Amendment to Department of Defense Appropriations Bill Offered by Mr. Calvert

**BILL** 

In the bill:

On page 8, line 6, strike "\$55,753,166,000" and insert "\$55,683,266,000".

On page 39, line 9, strike "\$13,521,158,000" and insert "\$13,561,058,000".

On page 39, line 16, strike "27,003,433,000" and insert "27,038,433,000".

On page 40, line 1, strike "\$51,121,258,000" and insert "51,120,258,000".

On page 40, line 8, strike "\$19,128,651,000" and insert "19,133,651,000".

On page 40, line 19, strike "\$36,500,467,000" and insert "\$36,491,467,000".

At the end of the bill (	before the spending redu	iction account), ins	ert the following:
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Funds made available for the UH-60 Blackhawk aircraft program under this Act and prior appropriations Acts under the headings "Aircraft Procurement, Army" and "Research, Development, Test and Evaluation, Army" shall be obligated only for the purposes for which such funds were appropriated and such funds may not be reprogrammed or transferred for other purposes: *Provided*, That none of the funds appropriated or otherwise made available by this Act or prior appropriations Acts may be used to pause, cancel, or terminate the UH-60 Blackhawk aircraft program or to prepare to pause, cancel, or terminate such program.

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Funds made available for the E–7 Wedgetail aircraft program under this Act and prior appropriations Acts under the headings "Aircraft Procurement, Air Force" and "Research, Development, Test and Evaluation, Air Force" shall be obligated only for the purposes for which such funds were appropriated and such funds may not be reprogrammed or transferred for other purposes: *Provided*, That none of the funds appropriated or otherwise made available by this Act or prior appropriations Acts may be used to pause, cancel, or terminate the E–7 Wedgetail aircraft program or to prepare to pause, cancel, or terminate such program.

### **REPORT**

In the report:

On page 16, before the header "Civil Reserve Manufacturing Network", insert the following:

#### INTERNATIONAL INITIATIVES

The Committee recognizes the importance of international initiatives and the trilateral AUKUS security partnership in particular. The AUKUS security partnership helps create a more lethal force that further integrates the United States, United Kingdom, and Australian forces, as well as lifts the domestic defense industrial base under the regulatory framework authorized under the National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2024 (Public Law 118-31). Given the strategic nature of international initiatives, AUKUS in particular, the Committee directs the Secretary of Defense to provide the congressional defense committees a report, not later than 90 days after the enactment of this Act and quarterly updates thereafter, on the progress of Pillar 2 technology efforts relating undersea capabilities, quantum technologies, artificial intelligence and autonomy, advanced cyber, hypersonic and counter-hypersonic capabilities, electronic warfare, innovation and any future efforts/initiatives being considered. The report will include budget profiles and schedules, a full list of industry performers contributing to ongoing efforts, and challenges that are slowing collaboration and progression to deliver capabilities.

#### COUNTER-UNMANNED AERIAL SYSTEMS

The Committee remains concerned about the escalating threat posed by unmanned aerial systems (UAS), including the potential for loitering munitions and other advanced drone technologies to undermine U.S. defense capabilities and jeopardize national security. The Committee supports the Department's efforts to advance Counter-UAS (C-UAS) capabilities. Accordingly, the Secretary of Defense is directed to, not later than 90 days after the enactment of this Act, submit a report to the congressional defense committees on research, development, test, and evaluation of C-UAS technologies throughout the Department. The report shall outline the Department's current and planned C-UAS initiatives, including an assessment of existing systems' effectiveness against emerging threats, coordination with interagency partners, allies, academia, and industry to advance C-UAS efforts, and illuminate challenges integrating C-UAS

solutions into air defense systems in complex environments, such as urban or highly rural areas. Additionally, the report shall include funding provided to date, broken out by Service, component, or agency, as well as a full list of industry performers contributing to ongoing efforts.

#### DOD REPORT ON SEXUAL ASSAULT PREVENTION

The Committee supports the Department of Defense Integrated Primary Prevention (IPP) workforce, Sexual Assault Prevention and Response (SAPR), and related support staff who are tasked with reducing harmful behaviors, preventing sexual assault and harassment, and providing specialized response services. The Committee seeks to understand if recent workforce actions have had any impact on command climates and prevention and response to combat sexual assault and harassment. As such, the Committee directs the Secretary of Defense to submit a report within 90 days after the date of enactment of this Act to the House and Senate Appropriations Committees that includes: the total number of billets designated to IPP, SAPR, and related roles at the start of the calendar year 2025; the number of vacant positions that have been open over one year; details on any exemptions designated to hiring IPP, SAPR, and related roles; and the number of staff who have opted to accept the deferred resignation program, disaggregated by month of acceptance.

On page 53, before the header "Operation and Maintenance, Army", insert the following:

#### QUANTUM WORKFORCE STUDY

The Committee recognizes the importance of developing a strong quantum workforce and encourages the Department of Defense to work with the National Science Foundation in developing a pipeline of quantum talent to address our national security needs. The Committee expects the Department of Defense, through the Office of the Under Secretary of Research and Engineering, to develop a workforce that covers each area of the Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) fields to employ physicists, computer science engineers, chemists, and mathematicians. To ensure this workforce is developed, the Committee directs the Secretary of Defense to provide a report to the congressional defense committees that provides the numbers of STEM personnel on staff across the Department for fiscal years 2024 and 2025 and the numbers budgeted for in fiscal year 2026 within 45 days after the date of enactment of this Act.

#### COORDINATION WITH TRIBAL NATIONS

The Committee is pleased that the Department of Defense has entered into partnerships with Tribal Nations to coordinate proving grounds and testing ranges for active duty and National Guard troops in the Northern Rocky Mountains and Plains States. The Committee encourages the Department to consider additional partnership agreements and expand coordination where practicable.

#### IRREGULAR WARFARE CENTER

The Committee recognizes the important role played by the Irregular Warfare Center.

Therefore, the Committee expects the Irregular Warfare Center to be fully funded and continued through fiscal year 2026 under the Defense Security Cooperation Agency.

#### U.S. OVERSEAS INSTALLATION COMMISSARIES

The Committee is concerned by the limits foreign countries place on U.S. products in commissaries located on U.S. overseas installations. In particular, the Committee notes that undue restrictions have been placed prohibiting the transit of poultry to commissaries on U.S.

overseas installations based on outbreaks of avian influenza in the United States. These restrictions are even stricter than U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) restrictions within the United States. The Committee believes that products that meet U.S. regulatory standards that have been deemed safe for commerce by USDA and identified for military use should be considered for exemptions. The Committee encourages the Secretary of Defense, in concurrence with the Secretary of State, to work with the Secretary of Agriculture to negotiate with foreign governments that host U.S. overseas installations to allow exemptions to transit products to the commissaries in such foreign countries.

On page 168, before the header "Research, Development, Test and Evaluation, Navy", insert the following:

#### VAS AI/ML OPTIMIZATION PROGRAM

Modern combat requires visual superiority without cognitive burden. Sophisticated Visual Augmentation Systems (VAS), designed with artificial intelligence/ machine learning (AI/ML) optimization, eliminate the need for on-the-fly manual adjustments, allowing operators to stay mission-focused under demanding conditions. Therefore, the Committee supports and encourages the Department of the Army to review AI/ML augmented imaging and signal processing for visual augmentation systems.

On page 232, before the header "Chemical Agents and Munitions Destruction, Defense", insert the following:

#### METASTATIC CANCER RESEARCH

Existing research suggests a genetic basis for susceptibility to metastatic cancer or resistance to metastasis. However, the Committee believes more research and data are required to develop a comprehensive understanding of this complex process. Clinical trials are an important aspect of that process, and a diverse representation of patients in clinical trials is integral to the development of medications and therapies that effectively treat disease.

Therefore, the Committee encourages the Director of the Congressionally Directed Medical Research Programs to continue to partner with outside experts and other federal agencies to implement recommendations from the April 2018 Metastatic Cancer Task Force Report to Congress concerning diverse enrollments in clinical trials. In addition, the Committee directs the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Health Affairs to provide a briefing to the House and Senate Appropriations Committees, not later than 180 days after the enactment of this Act, on the progress of implementing recommendations contained in the April 2018 report.

#### ADVANCED OPERATIONAL MEDICAL READINESS REQUIREMENTS

The Committee recognizes the importance of integrated, interoperable, and mobile life-support and critical care capabilities for effective deployed battlefield medicine and enroute care across domains. To meet operational medical readiness requirements, the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Health Affairs must prioritize the use of equipment that addresses resupply and evacuation-constrained forward scenarios, and operational medical logistic limitations such as reliable oxygen sources, theater-controlled substances and cold chain items. Therefore, the Committee directs the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Health Affairs, in coordination with the Director of the Defense Health Agency and the Services' Surgeons Generals, to provide a briefing to the congressional defense committees on an implementation plan that shall identify potential equipment for procurement, educational training programs, and sustainment requirements.

#### PREVENTING DEADLY AND COSTLY RESPIRATORY INFECTIONS IN MILITARY TREATMENT FACILITIES

The Committee recognizes the public health crisis caused by healthcare-associated infections (HAIs) and that respiratory infections are the number one contributor to HAIs. Servicemembers treated by the Military Health System for a condition or injury should not be subject to an additional infection developed during their stays at military treatment facilities. The Committee notes that preventable HAIs lead to unnecessary losses of life, increase defense healthcare costs, and that past efforts to reduce respiratory HAIs have had little success.

Therefore, the Committee encourages the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Health Affairs, in conjunction with the Director of the Defense Health Agency, to prioritize the development of ultraviolet respirators that allow for increased breathability for use by patients at military treatment facilities with respiratory infections to eliminate pathogens in exhaled breath and prevent the spread of infection.

### REPORT ON OVERSIGHT OF REPAIRS AND EXECUTION OF FUNDS MADE AVAILABLE TO WILLIAM BEAUMONT ARMY MEDICAL CENTER

The Committee understands that William Beaumont Army Medical Center, located on Fort Bliss, Texas, has sustained a series of publicly reported water restrictions and water leaks which have, at times, negatively impacted patient experience and posed a risk to facility servers located within the hospital. Given these issues to the facility, the Committee directs the Director of the Defense Health Agency to provide a report, not later than 60 days after the enactment of this Act, to the congressional defense committees that details actions undertaken to address these repair requirements.

#### PUBLIC AVAILABILITY OF NATIONAL DEFENSE ZONE MAPS

The Committee acknowledges the Department of Defense has established certain National Defense Zones. The Committee also recognizes that maps outlining the boundaries of these National Defense Zones must be easily accessible to the public, such that local communities may deconflict recreational activities or other traditional usage of these recently designated lands. Therefore, the Committee urges the Secretary of Defense to publicly release

and maintain web-accessible maps identifying all current or future National Defense Zones, to include a Community Liaison Point of Contact for public inquiries.

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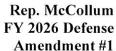
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Rep. DeLauro FY26 Defense

# AMENDMENT TO DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE APPROPRIATIONS BILL OFFERED BY MS. DELAURO

In the bill:
At the appropriate place insert the following:
Sec None of the funds made available by this Act may be used to
accept, receive, operate, maintain or retrofit a plane that is a gift from a
foreign government





### AMENDMENT TO DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE APPROPRIATIONS BILL OFFERED BY MS. McCollum

#### In the bill:

At the appropriate place insert the following:

Sec. \_\_\_\_. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, no Federal funds may be obligated or expended during the current fiscal year for travel of the Secretaries of the Departments of Defense, the Army, Navy, or the Air Force in excess of an aggregate amount of \$10,000,000 until the Secretary of Defense has certified in writing to the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate that all of the congressional justification documents accompanying the President's Budget request for fiscal year 2026, submitted pursuant to section 1105(a) of title 31, United States Code have been delivered to Congress, and has certified in writing to each Committee that each Secretary referenced in this section has testified before the subcommittees on Defense of the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations on their fiscal year 2026 requests.



Rep. McCollum FY 2026 Defense Amendment #2

# AMENDMENT TO DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE APPROPRIATIONS BILL OFFERED BY Ms. McCollum

In the bill:

Strike section 8142.



# AMENDMENT TO DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE APPROPRIATIONS BILL OFFERED BY Ms. McCollum

### In the bill:

On page 1 line 23 strike \$40,917,184,000 and insert \$41,077,184,000

On page 42 line 6 strike \$1,795,621,000 and insert \$1,955,621,000

On page 42, line 10 strike \$700,000,000 and insert \$860,000,000

### In the report:

### On page 226 insert:

Peer-reviewed alcohol and substance use disorders research	4,000
Peer-reviewed autism research	15,000
Peer-reviewed bone marrow failure disease research	8,000
Peer-reviewed epilepsy research	12,000
Peer-reviewed hearing restoration research	5,000
Peer-reviewed lupus research	10,000
Peer-reviewed melanoma research	10,000
Peer-reviewed multiple sclerosis research	20,000
Peer-reviewed Parkison's research	16,000
Peer-reviewed spinal cord research	40,000
Peer-reviewed vision research	20,000

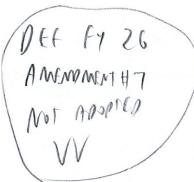


Rep. John Moolenaar FY26 – Defense Amendment #1

### Amendment to Defense Appropriations Bill Offered by Mr. Moolenaar of Michigan

At the appropriate place insert the following:

Sec.\_\_\_. None of the funds made available by this Act may be provided to an institution of higher education (as defined in section 102 of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1002)) that engages in formalized academic collaboration (whether through a partnership, joint institute, or other such arrangement) in STEM (as defined in section 301 of the National Quantum initiative Act (15 U.S.C. 8841)) with an educational institution or other entity that is located in the People's Republic of China or that is operated or controlled by the Chinese Communist Party or the Government of the People's Republic of China.



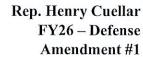
Rep. Kaptur FY 2026 Defense Amendment #1

### AMENDMENT TO DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE APPROPRIATIONS BILL OFFERED BY MS. KAPTUR

At the end of the bill, before the short title, insert the following:

SEC. Of the amounts appropriated in this Act under the heading "Operation and Maintenance, Defense-Wide", for the Defense Security Cooperation Agency, \$300,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2027, shall be for the Ukraine Security Assistance Initiative: Provided, That such funds shall be available to the Secretary of Defense, with the concurrence of the Secretary of State, to provide assistance, including training; equipment; lethal assistance; logistics support, supplies and services; salaries and stipends; sustainment; and intelligence support to the military and national security forces of Ukraine, and to other forces or groups recognized by and under the authority of the Government of Ukraine, including governmental entities within Ukraine, engaged in resisting Russian aggression against Ukraine for replacement of any weapons or articles provided to the Government of Ukraine from the inventory of the United States, and to recover or dispose of equipment procured using funds made available in this section in this or prior Acts: Provided further, That the Secretary of Defense shall, not less than 15 days prior to obligating funds made available in this section, notify the congressional defense committees in writing of the details of any such obligation: Provided further, That the Secretary of Defense shall, not more than 60 days after such notification is made, inform such committees if such funds have not been obligated and the reasons therefor: Provided further. That the Secretary of Defense shall consult with such committees in advance of the provision of support provided to other forces or groups recognized by and under the authority of the Government of Ukraine: Provided further, That the United States may accept equipment procured using funds made available in this section in this or prior Acts transferred to the security forces of Ukraine and returned by such forces to the United States: *Provided further*, That equipment procured using funds made available in this section in this or prior Acts, and not yet transferred to the military or national security forces of Ukraine or to other assisted entities, or returned by such forces or other assisted entities to the United States, may be treated as stocks of the Department of Defense upon written notification to the

congressional defense committees: *Provided further*, That any notification of funds made available in this section shall specify an estimated timeline for the delivery of defense articles and defense services provided and shall identify if any equipment provided requires enhanced end-use monitoring: Provided further, That the Secretary of Defense may accept and retain contributions, including money, personal property, and services, from foreign governments and other entities, to carry out assistance authorized for the Ukraine Security Assistance Initiative in this section: Provided further, That the Secretary of Defense shall notify the congressional defense committees in writing upon the receipt and upon the obligation of any contribution, delineating the sources and amounts of the funds received and the specific use of such contributions: Provided further. That contributions of money for the purposes provided herein from any foreign government or other entity may be credited to this account, to remain available until September 30, 2027, and used for such purposes: Provided further, That the Secretary of Defense shall provide quarterly reports to the congressional defense committees on the use and status of funds made available in this section.





### EFFICIENCY, COMPETITION, PERFORMANCE, AND CONTRACT MANAGEMENT REQUIREMENDS AMENDMENT

EFFICIENCY, COMPETITION, PERFORMANCE, AND CONTRACT MANAGEMENT REQUIREMENTS.

(a) Program and Regulatory Efficiency Reviews.

None of the funds appropriated or otherwise made available by this Act to the Department of Defense, the Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency, the Defense Logistics Agency, the Missile Defense Agency, or any other entity funded under this Act may be obligated or expended unless the Secretary of Defense—

- (1) Conducts annual program and operational performance reviews using outcome-based metrics consistent with the Government Performance and Results Modernization Act of 2010 (Public Law 111-352);
- (2) Completes a comprehensive review of agency rules, internal policies, and administrative requirements to identify outdated, duplicative, or inefficient provisions, and submits a Regulatory Modernization Report to the Committees on Appropriations within 18 months of enactment.
- (3) Identifies cost savings, administrative streamlining opportunities, and overlapping functions;
- (4) Adopts a framework to implement technological solutions for project oversight, milestone verification, and transparent reporting of disbursements; and
- (5) Submits a consolidated summary of findings and planned improvements to the Committees on Appropriations within 240 days of enactment.
- (b) Contracting and Procurement Standards.

None of the funds made available by this Act may be used to enter into a new contract, grant, or cooperative agreement exceeding \$5,000,000 unless –

(1) The award is made through full and open competition, except where urgent financial stability, national security, or public interest functions are certified in writing to the Committees on Appropriations;

- (2) The contract, grant, or cooperative agreement includes enforceable provisions requiring
- (i) project delivery on budget and on schedule; and (ii) the delineation of specific performance objectives and milestones with timelines for meeting such objectives and milestones;
- (3) The awarding agency adopts a framework to implement a technology-based or otherwise automated system to (i) verify and track awardee progress against agreement objectives, milestones, and timelines; (ii) make continuous disbursements contingent upon verified completion of agreement objectives, milestones, and timelines; and (iii) securely record and retain verification data and supporting documentation to ensure a transparent audit trail of each disbursement;
- (4) The agreement includes appropriate financial penalties, including liquidated damages, for unjustified cost overruns or schedule delays; and
- (5) For contracts or agreements exceeding \$10,000,000, the agency must submit a Contract Performance Summary to the Committees within 90 days of award.
- (c) Quarterly Oversight Reporting

Each agency covered under this Act shall submit quarterly reports to the Committees on Appropriations that include:

- (1) Progress on annual performance reviews and implementation;
- (2) Regulatory modernization actions taken or planned;
- (3) Performance status of high-value contracts and grants, including details on performance objectives, the completion of milestones, and related timelines in accordance with subsection (b)(2)(ii) and (b)(3), accompanied by verification records preserved by a technology-based or otherwise automated system;
  - (4) Identified cost savings and reinvestment proposals; and
  - (5) Status of updated performance metrics as required under section (d).
  - (d) Development and Submission of Updated Performance Metrics

None of the funds made available by this Act may be obligated or expended unless each agency covered under this section —

- (1) Develops or updates performance metrics aligned with the findings of subsection (a)(1);
  - (2) Ensures all performance metrics are consistent with GPRMA standards and relevant to strategic goals (e.g., procurement timeliness, fraud prevention, IT modernization outcomes), and incorporates provisions for the secure recording and

retention of verification data used to confirm the achievement of a contract, grant, or cooperative agreement, ensuring traceability and a transparent audit trail of each disbursement;

- (3) Submits the updated performance metrics to the Committees on Appropriations within 180 days of enactment; and
- (4) Provides a justification for each measure explaining its role in improving agency effectiveness, cost control, or public service.



### Amendment to the Defense Appropriations Bill

### Offered by Mr. Pocan of Wisconsin

### In the bill:

At the end of the bill (before the short title), insert the following:

SEC\_\_\_\_. None of the funds appropriated or otherwise made available by this Act shall be used to rename the following ships:

- (1) USNS Harvey Milk, T-AO 206
- (2) USNS Lucy Stone, T-AO 209
- (3) USNS Thurgood Marshall, T-AO 211
- (4) USNS Ruth Bader Ginsburg, T-AO 212
- (5) USNS Harriet Tubman, T-AO 213
- (6) USNS Dolores Huerta, T-AO 214
- (7) USNS Cesar Chavez, T-AKE 14
- (8) USNS Medgar Evers, T-AKE 13



Reps. Mike Levin/Pete Aguilar FY26 – Defense Amendment #1

### AMENDMENT TO DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE APPROPRIATIONS BILL OFFERED BY MR. LEVIN

In the bill.

At the appropriate place insert the following:

"Sec. \_\_\_. (a) None of the funds appropriated by this Act shall be used in contravention to the Posse Comitatus Act of 1878, as amended.

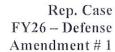


Rep. Torres FY26 – Defense Amendment #1

### AMENDMENT TO DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE APPROPRIATIONS BILL OFFERED BY MRS. TORRES

At the appropriate place in the bill, insert the following:

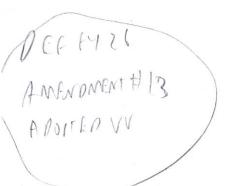
SEC. \_\_\_. None of the funds in this Act may be used to discontinue or restrict access to sexual assault forensic examinations that were available to civilian personnel as of January 20<sup>th</sup>, 2025.





# AMENDMENT TO DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE APPROPRIATIONS BILL OFFERED BY MR. CASE

In the l	II:
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Rep. Lauren Underwood FY26 – Defense

Amendment #1

### AMENDMENT TO DEFENSE APPROPRIATIONS BILL OFFERED BY MS. UNDERWOOD OF ILLINOIS

At the end of the bill (before the short title), insert the following new section:

**SEC.** \_\_\_\_. Not later than 180 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall publish on the public website of the Department of Defense a report itemizing all expenses and contracts associated with the planning and execution of the military parade in Washington, D.C. on President Trump's 79th birthday, including but not limited to post-event cleaning and repairs.

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Rep. Lauren Underwood

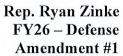
FY26 - Defense

Amendment #2

### AMENDMENT TO DEFENSE APPROPRIATIONS BILL OFFERED BY MS. UNDERWOOD OF ILLINOIS

At the end of the bill (before the short title), insert the following new section:

SEC. \_\_\_\_. None of the funds made available by this Act may be used to remove or reduce the visibility or accessibility of information regarding the historical accomplishments of decorated United States servicemembers who did not serve in the armed forces of the Confederate States, including but not limited to Hector Santa Anna, General Colin L. Powell, Army Major General Charles Rogers, the Harlem Hellfighters, the Navajo Code Talkers, the Tuskegee Airmen, the Women Airforce Service Pilots (WASPs), the 54th Massachusetts Regiment, the 442nd Infantry Regiment, the 555th Parachute Infantry Battalion, the 761st Tank Battalion, or the 6888th Central Postal Directory Battalion, in any public communications or any educational curriculum materials prepared or used by the Department of Defense.





### IRREGULAR WARFARE CENTER

### Amend the Bill

On page 113, after line 10, insert the following:

SEC.\_\_\_. Of the amounts appropriated in this Act under the heading ''Operation and Maintenance, Defense-Wide'', for the Defense Security Cooperation Agency, \$12,000,000 shall be for the Irregular Warfare Center.