

Attachment #1

OMB reached out to the Department of Defense (DOD) on June 19, 2019, about the Ukraine Security Assistance Initiative (USAI). On July 18, 2019, OMB notified an interagency working group, which included DOD and the Department of State, about an instruction to withhold all funds for Ukraine security assistance. OMB issued its first written apportionment with the USAI footnote restricting obligations on July 25 for the DOD account (TAFS 97-0100/2019). In its apportionment, OMB noted that it “understands from the Department that this brief pause in obligations will not preclude DOD’s timely execution of the final policy direction. DOD may continue its planning and casework for the Initiative during this period.” (See attached footnote). The remaining unobligated USAI funds were made available for use by DOD for FY 2019 on September 12, 2019.

With regard to the August 3, 2019, Letter Apportionment, OMB instructed the Department of State and the U.S. Agency for International Development to withhold the funds listed in the August 3 letter. This letter was the first reapportionment action with respect to the withholding of these funds. The funds were made available for use by the agencies for FY 2019 on August 9, 2019.