STATEMENT OF ADMINISTRATION POLICY

House Amendment to H.R. 815 - Emergency National Security Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2024
(Rep. Cole, R-OK)

The Administration strongly supports House passage of the national security supplemental package. This supplemental provides over $95 billion in funding for critical bipartisan national security priorities.

This supplemental funding package provides long overdue funding to support Ukraine as it continues defending itself against Russia’s brutal war of aggression. This funding would ensure that critically needed U.S. weapons and equipment continue to flow to the battlefield as the Ukrainian people defend their sovereignty against Russian aggression, while continuing to strengthen and modernize our Defense Industrial Base here at home. We cannot let Russia succeed. Ukraine must prevail.

This supplemental funding also helps Israel protect its people against the threats it faces from Hamas and Iran and its other proxies, including Hezbollah. It is critical that we quickly help Israel replenish its air defenses following Iran’s recent brazen and unprecedented attack and ensure Israel maintains its military edge against Iran or any other adversary. This supplemental would also provide urgent life-saving humanitarian assistance for Palestinian civilians in Gaza and vulnerable people suffering around the globe.

In addition, this supplemental funding package provides support to critical Indo-Pacific partners, bolstering our integrated deterrence and maintaining peace and stability in the region.

Further, the supplemental funding package also includes legislation to address continued aggression by Russia and Iran.

The world is watching what the Congress does. Passing this legislation would send a powerful message about the strength of American leadership at a pivotal moment. The Administration urges both chambers of the Congress to quickly send this supplemental funding package to the President’s desk.

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