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February 28, 2002

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

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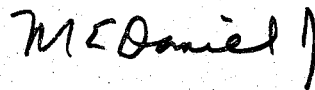
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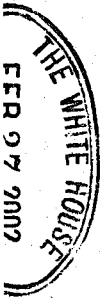
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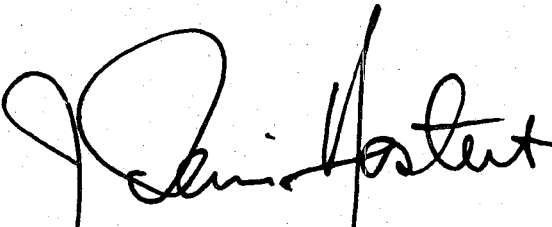
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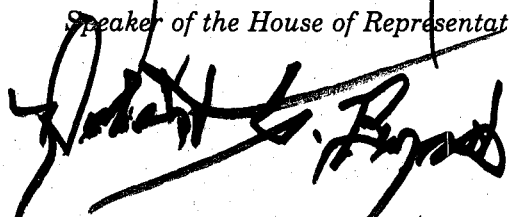
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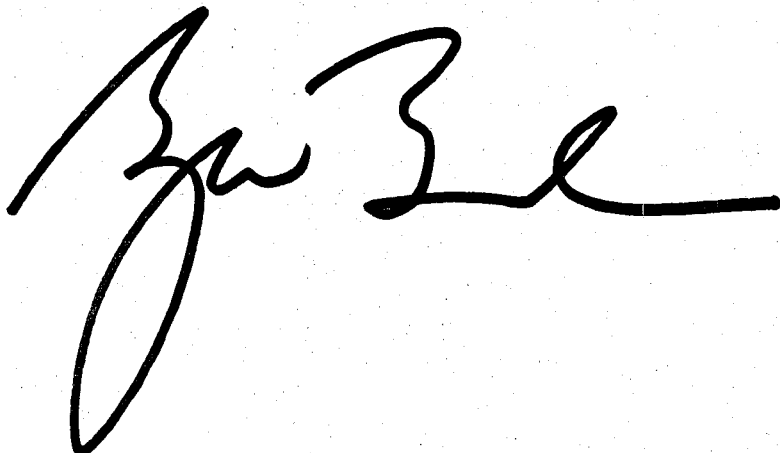
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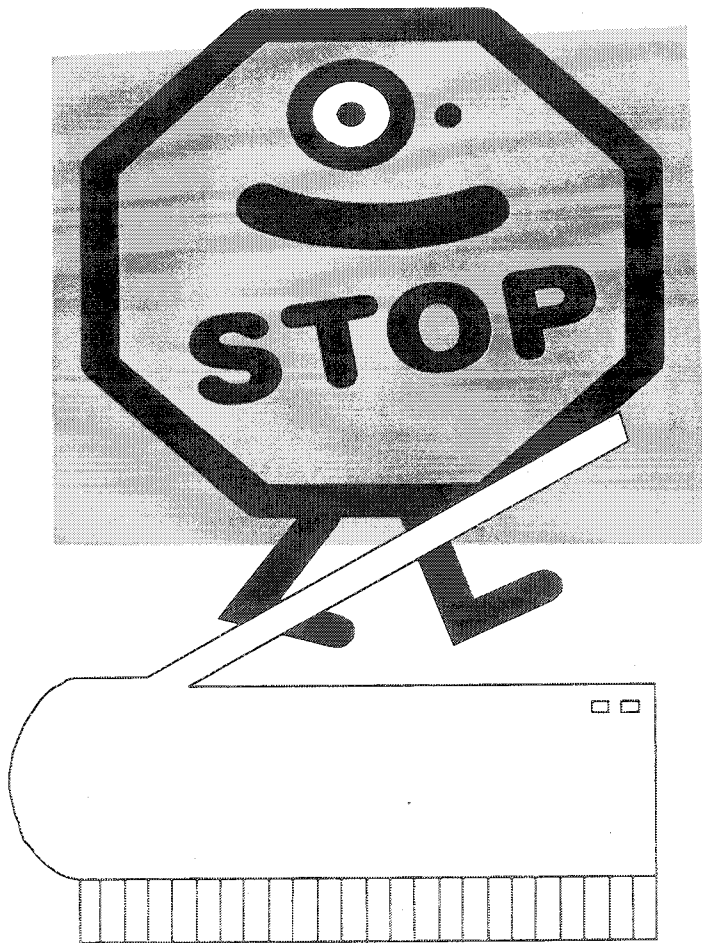
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REMARKS:

Please forward comments directly to Jim Jukes, x53458, fax 56148, no later than 6:00 p.m., Friday, March 1, 2002, with a cc to the Staff Secretary. Thank you.

RESPONSE: _____

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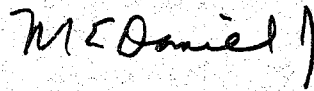
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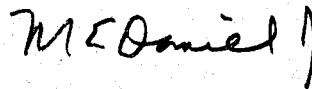
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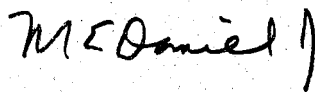
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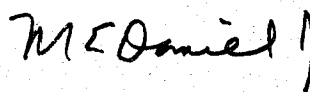
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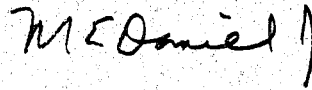
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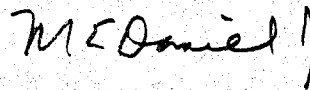
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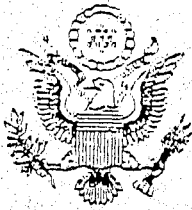
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DEPUTY STAFF SECRETARY TO THE VICE PRESIDENT

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Attachment

cc: Harriet Miers
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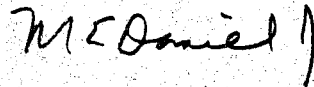
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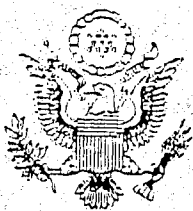
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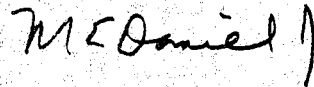
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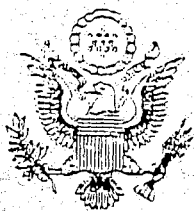
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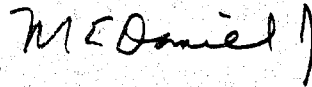
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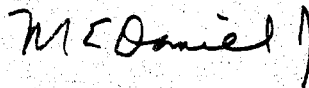
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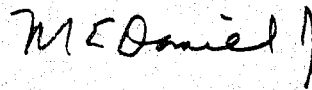
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BROADCASTING BOARD OF GOVERNORS
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

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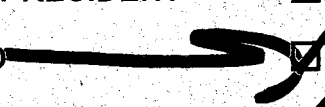
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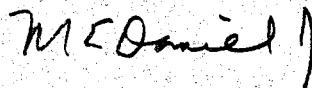
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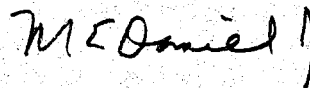
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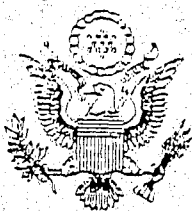
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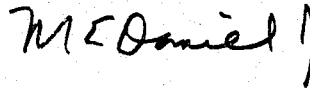
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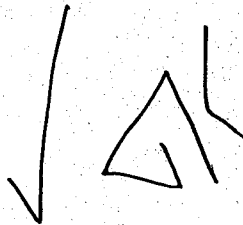
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For Immediate Release

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THE DIRECTOR

February 28, 2002

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

SUBJECT: Enrolled Bill H.R. 2998 - Radio Free Afghanistan Act
Sponsors - Rep. Royce (R) CA and 57 others

Last Day for Action

March 11, 2002 - Monday

Purpose

Authorizes the establishment of and appropriations for Radio Free Afghanistan.

Agency Recommendations

Office of Management and Budget	Approval
Department of State	Approval
Broadcasting Board of Governors	Approval
National Security Council	No objection (Informally)

Discussion

H.R. 2998 authorizes the establishment of Radio Free Afghanistan. Specifically, the enrolled bill authorizes the Broadcasting Board of Governors (BBG) to make grants for surrogate radio broadcasting by RFE/RL, Inc. (the successor to Radio Free Europe/Radio Liberty) to the people of Afghanistan in the Dari and Pashto languages. The enrolled bill requires RFE/RL, within 15 days of enactment, to submit to the BBG a detailed plan for the establishment of the broadcasting service.

In addition to such amounts as are otherwise available, H.R. 2998 authorizes FY 2002 appropriations of \$8 million for the operations of surrogate broadcasting services into Afghanistan and \$9 million for capital improvements related to this broadcasting. By repealing the statutory ban on operating a U.S. transmitter in Kuwait, the enrolled bill enables the BBG to make needed capital investments in the Kuwait Transmitting Station to enable broadcasting from there to Afghanistan as well as the region.

H.R. 2998 authorizes the BBG to make grants to RFE/RL during FY 2002 without regard to the statutory \$75 million annual limitation on total grant awards to RFE/RL. (BBG advises informally that it expects to provide over \$80 million in grants to RFE/RL for FY 2002.)

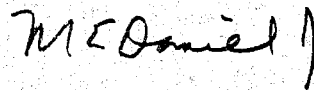
The FY 2002 Defense Appropriation Act, which makes amounts available from the FY 2002 Emergency Supplemental Appropriations Act (P.L. 107-38), provides approximately \$19 million for international broadcasting operations and capital improvements for Radio Free Afghanistan. These funds are available for obligation in FY 2002 and any future year.

Conclusion and Recommendations

State recommends approval of H.R. 2998, advising that "[t]he operation of Radio Free Afghanistan will significantly strengthen the geographic reach of USG radio broadcasting while enriching the amount of such broadcasting available to the people of Afghanistan in their two primary languages, Dari and Pashto."

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We join State and BBG in recommending the approval of H.R. 2998, which passed the House by a vote of 405-2 and the Senate amended by unanimous consent. The House agreed to the Senate amendment by a vote of 421-2.



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United States Department of State

Washington, D.C. 20520

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Dear Mr. Daniels:

Thank you for your letter of February 13, requesting a Department of State recommendation on H.R. 2998, the Radio Free Afghanistan Act.

The Department of State welcomes the passage of H.R. 2998. The operation of Radio Free Afghanistan will significantly strengthen the geographic reach of USG radio broadcasting while enriching the amount of such broadcasting available to the people of Afghanistan in their two primary languages, Dari and Pashto.

The Department anticipates that the detailed plan which Radio Free Europe/Radio Liberty (RFE/RL), Incorporated, will submit in accordance with Section 2 (a) will provide for cooperation with broadcasting by the Voice of America on a level which will constitute a profound step forward for both organizations.

The Department accordingly recommends that the President sign H.R. 2998. Please do not hesitate to contact us if we can be of further assistance.

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BROADCASTING BOARD OF GOVERNORS
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

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Director
Office of Management and Budget
Washington, D.C. 20503

Dear Director Daniels:

This responds to your request for the Broadcasting Board of Governors' views on H.R. 2998, authorizing the establishment of Radio Free Afghanistan. I write to recommend that the President approve this legislation.

H.R. 2998 authorizes \$17 million to provide for surrogate broadcasting services by RFE/RL, Inc. into Afghanistan in the Dari and Pashto languages. Of this amount, \$9 million is to be used to provide for transmission assets to ensure that these broadcasts reach their audience. Although the Voice of America (VOA) currently provides information to the Afghan people in Dari and Pashto and has a significant audience in Afghanistan, we believe that a surrogate broadcast service provided by RFE/RL would significantly improve the information environment in that country. While VOA provides U.S. and international news and explains U.S. policy and culture, RFE/RL broadcasts act more expressly as a local broadcast service, satisfying a role that Afghanistan's domestic media is not yet capable of providing. The Radio Free Afghanistan Act also contains provisions that enhance the BBG's flexibility in responding to the crisis in Afghanistan, including the repeal of a statutory provision that precludes shortwave broadcasting out of Kuwait.

The Broadcasting Board of Governors appreciates the opportunity to comment on H.R. 2998, and would be happy to provide further information on this matter if necessary.

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WHITE HOUSE STAFFING MEMORANDUM

Date: 2-28-02 ACTION / CONCURRENCE / COMMENT DUE BY: 3-1-02 6:00 PMSubject: ENROLLED BILL H.R. 2998 - RADIO FREE AFGHANISTAN ACT

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HAGIN	☐	☐	OTHER	☐	☐

REMARKS:

Please forward comments directly to Jim Jukes, x53458, fax 56148, no later than 6:00 p.m., Friday, March 1, 2002, with a cc to the Staff Secretary. Thank you.

RESPONSE:

KPH ✓

3-1 6:50pm

Harriet E. Miers
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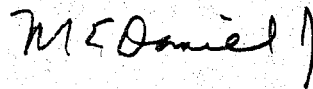
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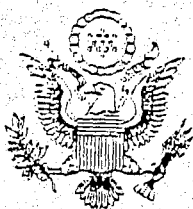
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