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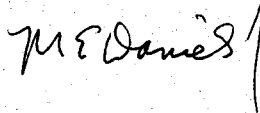
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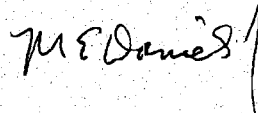
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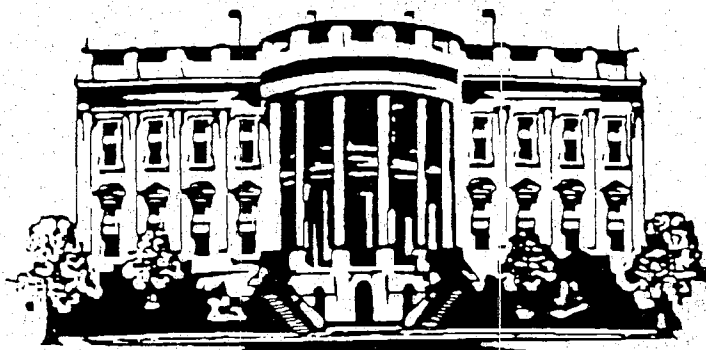
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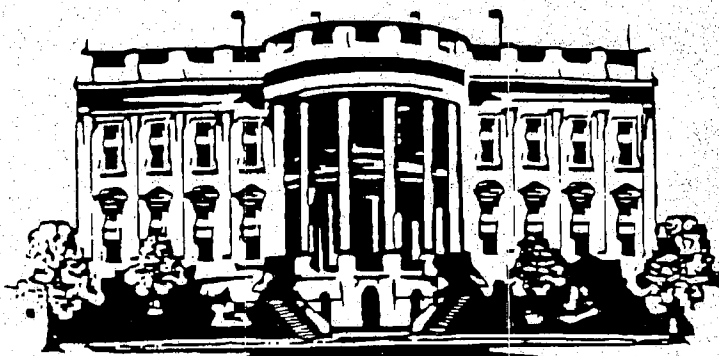
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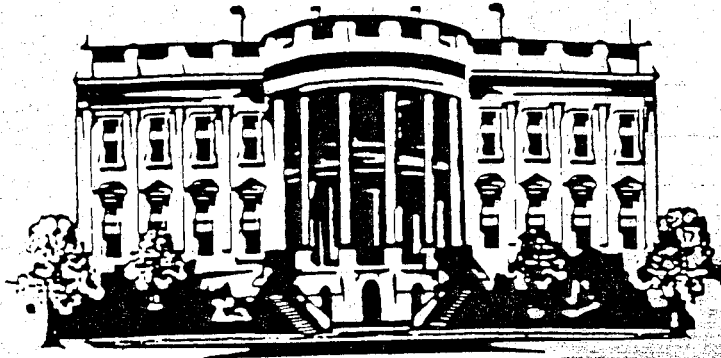
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REMARKS:

Please forward comments directly to Staff Secretary, x62702, no later than 5:00 p.m. today.
Thank you.

RESPONSE:

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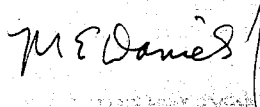
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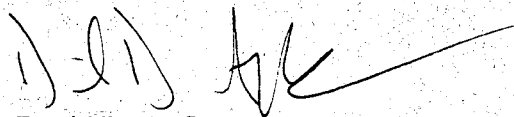
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"(2) \$75,000,000 for fiscal year 2003.

"(3) \$100,000,000 for fiscal year 2004."

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Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Vice President of the United States and

President of the Senate, pro tempore.

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THE WHITE HOUSE
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One Hundred Seventh Congress of the United States of America

AT THE FIRST SESSION

*Begun and held at the City of Washington on Wednesday,
the third day of January, two thousand and one*

An Act

To respond to the continuing economic crisis adversely affecting American agricultural producers.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of
the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

SECTION 1. MARKET LOSS ASSISTANCE.

(a) **ASSISTANCE AUTHORIZED.**—The Secretary of Agriculture (referred to in this Act as the “Secretary”) shall, to the maximum extent practicable, use \$4,622,240,000 of funds of the Commodity Credit Corporation to make a market loss assistance payment to owners and producers on a farm that are eligible for a final payment for fiscal year 2001 under a production flexibility contract for the farm under the Agriculture Market Transition Act (7 U.S.C. 7201 et seq.).

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SEC. 2. SUPPLEMENTAL OILSEEDS PAYMENT.

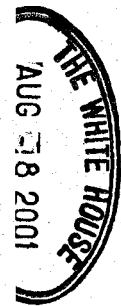
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SEC. 3. SUPPLEMENTAL PEANUT PAYMENT.

The Secretary shall use \$54,210,000 of funds of the Commodity Credit Corporation to provide a supplemental payment under section 204(a) of the Agricultural Risk Protection Act of 2000 (Public Law 106–224; 7 U.S.C. 1421 note) to producers of quota peanuts or additional peanuts for the 2000 crop year that previously received a payment under such section. The Secretary shall adjust the payment rate specified in such section to reflect the amount made available for payments under this section.

SEC. 4. SUPPLEMENTAL TOBACCO PAYMENT.

(a) **SUPPLEMENTAL PAYMENT.**—The Secretary shall use \$129,000,000 of funds of the Commodity Credit Corporation to provide a supplemental payment under section 204(b) of the Agricultural Risk Protection Act of 2000 (Public Law 106–224; 7 U.S.C. 1421 note) to eligible persons (as defined in such section) that previously received a payment under such section.



SEC. 11. TIMING OF, AND LIMITATION ON, EXPENDITURES.

(a) **DEADLINE FOR EXPENDITURES.**—All expenditures required by this Act shall be made not later than September 30, 2001. Any funds made available by this Act and remaining unexpended by October 1, 2001, shall be deemed to be unexpendable, and the authority provided by this Act to expend such funds is rescinded effective on that date.

(b) **TOTAL AMOUNT OF EXPENDITURES.**—The total amount expended under this Act may not exceed \$5,500,000,000. If the payments required by this Act would result in expenditures in excess of such amount, the Secretary shall reduce such payments on a pro rata basis as necessary to ensure that such expenditures do not exceed such amount.

SEC. 12. REGULATIONS.

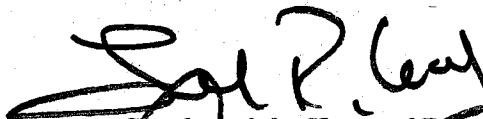
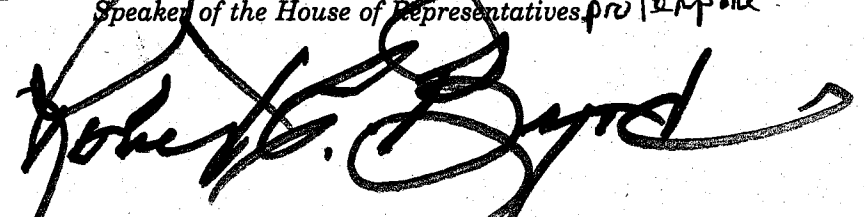
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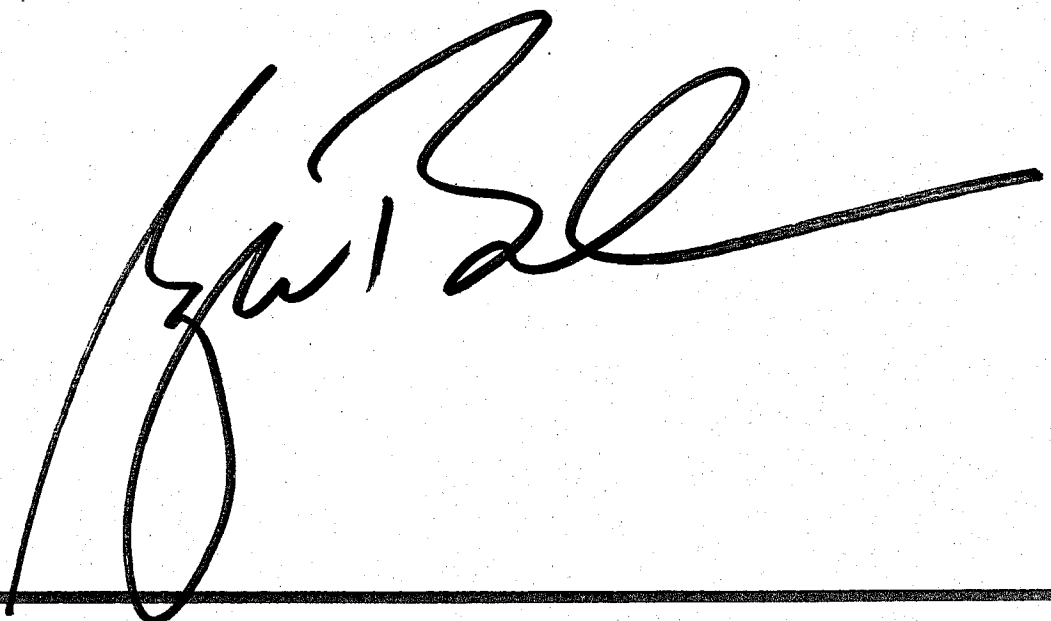
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(3) chapter 35 of title 44, United States Code (commonly known as the "Paperwork Reduction Act").

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Speaker of the House of Representatives, *pro tempore*

Vice President of the United States and
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For Immediate Release

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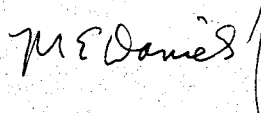
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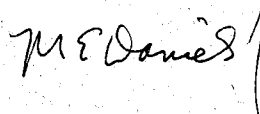
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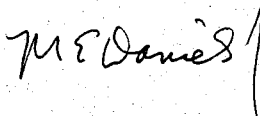
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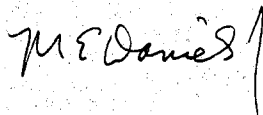
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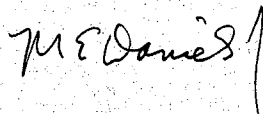
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United States Department of State

Washington, D.C. 20520

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Dear Mr. Daniels:

This is in response to your request for the Department's views on the enrolled bill, H.R. 2131, reauthorization of the Tropical Forest Conservation Act (TFCA):

Given the President's commitment to protecting tropical forests through the TFCA mechanism, we strongly recommend that he sign the bill into law. The bill authorizes \$50 million for fiscal year 2002; \$75 million for fiscal year 2003; and \$100 million for fiscal year 2004 for relief of official debt owed the United States in exchange for tropical forest conservation measures in eligible developing countries. The bill also makes several conforming amendments and calls for a representative of the Department of State to serve as Chairperson of the Enterprise for the Americas Board.

We view this legislation as an important tool for promoting forest conservation. Last September, the United States concluded its first agreement with Bangladesh, and we are in the process of moving forward with several other agreements with El Salvador, Belize and Thailand in the coming months.

The Department of State appreciates the strong bipartisan support the TFCA enjoys in the Congress. It reflects the utility and vibrancy of the program.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, reading "Paul V. Kelly".

Paul V. Kelly
Assistant Secretary
Legislative Affairs

The Honorable
Mitchell Daniels, Director,
Office of Management and Budget.



DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20250

JUL 27 2001

The Honorable Mitchell E. Daniels, Jr.
Director
Office of Management and Budget
Washington, D.C. 20503

Dear Director Daniels:

The Department of Agriculture (USDA) recommends that the President sign the enrolled bill, H.R. 2131, "To reauthorize the Tropical Forest Conservation Act of 1998 through fiscal year 2004", and for other purposes.

Thank you for the opportunity for USDA to comment on the enrolled bill.

Sincerely,

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Ann M. Veneman
Secretary



DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY
WASHINGTON, D.C.

GENERAL COUNSEL

July 31, 2001

The Honorable Mitchell E. Daniels, Jr.
Director, Office of Management and Budget
Executive office of the President
Washington, D.C. 20503

Attention: Assistant Director for Legislative Reference

Dear Mr. Daniels:

This responds to your request for the views of the Department of the Treasury on enrolled bill H.R. 2131, "To reauthorize the Tropical Forest Conservation Act of 1998 through fiscal year 2004, and for other purposes."

H.R. 2131 would authorize appropriations through fiscal year 2004 for the reduction of debt owed to the United States as a result of concessional loans or credits extended to developing countries with tropical forests. The amount authorized is \$50 million in FY 2002, \$75 million in FY 2003, and \$100 million in FY 2004. In addition, the bill would simplify the debt reduction eligibility requirement that developing countries with tropical forests put in place "major" investment reforms by deleting the term "major."

The Treasury Department supports the enrolled bill and recommends that the President sign the bill into law.

Sincerely,

David D. Aufhauser



U.S. AGENCY FOR
INTERNATIONAL
DEVELOPMENT

July 30, 2001

Mr. Mitchell E. Daniels, Jr.
Director
Office of Management and Budget
Washington, D.C. 10503-0001

Dear Mr. Daniels:

Thank you for your office's July 25, 2001 memorandum requesting the U.S. Agency for International Development's (USAID) views on enrolled bill H.R. 2131, the Tropical Forest Conservation Act Reauthorization.

The Agency has found the original legislation to be of high value, especially now that the process of implementing the program is accelerating. USAID recommends that the President sign the enrolled bill to reauthorize the Tropical Forest Conservation Act.

Sincerely,

Robert Lester
Acting Deputy Assistant
Administrator
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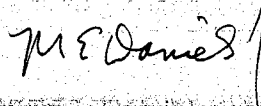
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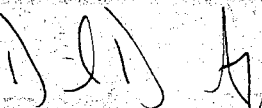
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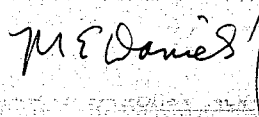
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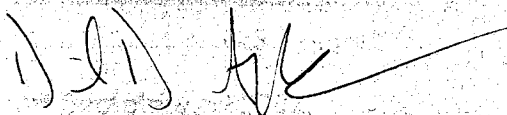
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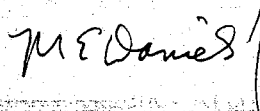
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Ann M. Veneman
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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY
WASHINGTON, D.C.

GENERAL COUNSEL

July 31, 2001

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Director, Office of Management and Budget
Executive office of the President
Washington, D.C. 20503

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U.S. AGENCY FOR
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WHITE HOUSE STAFFING MEMORANDUM

Date: 8-10-01

ACTION / CONCURRENCE / COMMENT DUE BY: 8-10-01 (5:00 PM) 1 AM 10:59

ENROLLED BILL H.R. 2131 - TROPICAL FOREST CONSERVATION ACT

Subject: REAUTHORIZATION

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REMARKS:

Please forward comments directly to Staff Secretary, x62702, no later than 5:00 p.m. today.
Thank you.

RESPONSE:

See Att

Harriet E. Miers
Assistant to the President
and Staff Secretary
Ext. 62702



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THE DIRECTOR

August 9, 2001

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

SUBJECT: Enrolled Bill H.R. 2131 - Tropical Forest Conservation Act Reauthorization
Sponsors - Rep. Portman (R) OH and 34 others

Last Day for Action

August 20, 2001 - Monday

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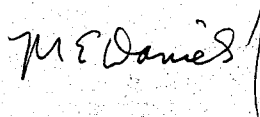
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JUL 27 2001

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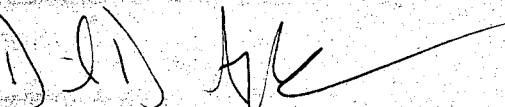
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No comments on originals.

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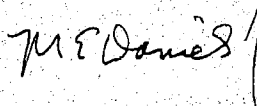
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REMARKS:

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RESPONSE:

Harriet E. Miers
Assistant to the President
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The NEC concurs without comment to the Proposed Executive Order Entitled "Continuation of Export Control Regulations" and a Message to Congress.