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## **Conferees Approve FY 2007 Defense Spending Bill**

WASHINGTON, DC – Today the Senate and House of Representatives conference committee approved the fiscal year 2007 Defense Appropriations bill. The bill provides \$436.6 billion in new discretionary spending authority for the Department of Defense for functions under the Defense Subcommittee's jurisdiction, including \$70 billion in additional appropriations to fund operations related to the Global War on Terror (GWOT).

### Additional Highlights:

- Provides \$436.6 billion in new discretionary spending authority for the Department of Defense for functions under the Defense Subcommittee's jurisdiction, including \$70 billion in additional appropriations to fund operations related to the Global War on Terror (GWOT)
- Contingency funding in this bill is made available pursuant to section 402 of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2007
- Recommendation is \$4.0 billion under the President's FY 2007 budget request of \$381.4 billion
- Fully funds military pay
- Funds Department of Defense military end strength of 2,175,000 (1,332,300 for Active component and 842,800 for Reserve component)
- Provides a total of \$4.5 billion in General Transfer Authority

### Title I – Military Personnel: \$86 billion

- Supports an Army end strength of 482,400 Soldiers and a Marine Corps end strength of 175,000 Marines, as requested in the President's budget. Additional funding is provided in Title IX of the bill to support Army and Marine Corps over-strength required to fight the GWOT
- Funding for military personnel does not include \$13.5 billion transferred to the Military-Quality of Life Appropriations Bill
- Fully funds military pay to include the 2.2 percent across-the-board pay raise for military personnel, as requested in the President's budget

### Title II – Operation and Maintenance: \$119.8 billion

- Fully funds key readiness programs critical to prepare forces for combat operations and other peace time missions: OPTEMPO flying hours and steaming days, depot maintenance, training, spare parts, and base operations

### Title III – Procurement: \$80.9 billion

#### Aircraft

- Fully funds acquisition of 20 F-22A aircraft
- Fully funds acquisition of 12 C-17 transport aircraft
- Fully funds acquisition of 9 C-130J aircraft
- Funds two F-35 Joint Strike Fighter aircraft and provides advance procurement funding for 12 F-35 aircraft in FY 2008
- Provides the Army \$72 million for the procurement of two Joint Cargo aircraft
- Reduces request for Armed Reconnaissance Helicopter by \$40 million and six aircraft to mitigate schedule risk
- Fully funds 38 UH-60 Blackhawk helicopters
- Provides \$167 million for the procurement of 30 Light Utility helicopters
- Transfers production of four EA-18G's to F/A-18E/F production
- Reduces H-1 upgrade procurement by \$70 million due to delay and restructuring of the program
- Reduces KC-130J request by \$126 million and two aircraft

#### Weapons/Missiles

- Fully funds PAC-3 procurement program, as requested
- Fully funds TRIDENT II D-5 LE program
- Fully funds Tomahawk program
- Fully funds Small Diameter Bomb (SDB)

#### Shipbuilding

- Provides \$10.6 billion for the procurement of eight ships:
  - Supports the budget request for two lead DDG-1000 Zumwalt class destroyers

- Fully funds two Littoral Combat Ships and LCS Mission Modules
- Fully funds one Virginia Class Submarine
- Provides \$117 million for one T-AGS Oceanographic Survey Ship
- Funds one T-AKE Dry Cargo/Ammunition Ship

#### Vehicles/Force Protection

- Funds Army HMMWV and Tactical Vehicles
- Fully funds Army Stryker program
- Fully funds M1 Abrams tank engines upgrades
- Fully funds Marine Corps Expeditionary Fighting Vehicle program

#### Other

- Adds \$290 million for National Guard and Reserve equipment

#### Title IV – Research, Development, Test and Evaluation: \$75.7 billion

##### Aircraft

- Adds \$340 million to continue developing a second source for JSF aircraft engines and directs DoD to include funding in the FY 2008 budget request
- Reduces VH-71 Executive Helicopter by \$50 million due to slow program execution
- Provides \$100 million for the Navy Unmanned Combat Air System
- Provides \$70 million for the Air Force to initiate a system development program intended to replace the aging KC-135 tanker fleet
- Supports continued Global Hawk and Predator development at the requested amounts
- Provides \$474 million for F-22 advanced technology insertions

##### Space

- Reduces Transformational Satellite Communications (TSAT) by \$130 million due to concerns over the amount of program growth
- Reduces Space Radar by \$80 million due to uncertainties with the program
- Supports the Space Based Infrared system (SBIRS) High at the requested amount
- Supports the A-EHF and WGS communications satellites at the requested amounts
- Reduces Evolved Expendable Launch Vehicle by \$80 million for expected launch delays and cost efficiencies

##### Shipbuilding

- Fully funds the budget request for the Littoral Combat Ship
- Fully funds the budget request for the DD(X) destroyer program

##### Missile Defense

- Provides \$9.3 billion for missile defense programs
- Provides an additional \$200 million for test infrastructure, operations support, and additional interceptors for Ground-Based Missile Defense
- Adds \$58 million for Arrow co-production and Short Range Ballistic Missile Defense
- Adds \$85 million for AEGIS Ballistic Missile Defense, including SM-3 missile procurement and Ballistic Missile Signal Processor
- Reduces Kinetic Energy Interceptor by \$48 million

##### Other

- Provides \$3.5 billion for the Future Combat System, an increase of \$300 million over FY 2006
- Provides \$3.1 billion for DARPA, an increase of more than \$200 million over amounts provided for FY 2006
- Fully funds Special Operations Command's Advanced Tactical Laser ACTD

#### Title V – Revolving and Management Funds: \$2.4 billion

#### Title VI – Other Department of Defense Programs: \$2.47 billion

##### Chemical Agents and Munitions Destruction \$1.28 billion

- Supports the President's budget request for the destruction of chemical agents and munitions

##### Drug Interdiction and Counter-Drug Activities \$977.6 million

- Provides \$50.7 million above the President's budget request
- Adds \$20 million for the National Guard State Counter-Drug support programs.

#### Title IX – Additional Appropriations: \$70 billion

- Provides \$70 billion in additional funding for operations related to GWOT. Contingency funding in this bill is made available pursuant to section 402 of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2007
- Provides \$17.1 billion to fully fund Army and \$5.8 billion to fully fund Marine Corps FY 2007 reset requirements

- Provides a total of \$3.0 billion in Special Transfer Authority

Military Personnel: \$5.7 billion

- Provides pay and allowances for mobilized Reserve and Guard Soldiers to provide military operations support to GWOT
- Provides Special Pays to include Imminent Danger Pay to Active, Reserve, and Guard Soldiers who are deployed in support of GWOT
- Provides additional Combat Benefits for death and traumatic injury
- Supports required Pre- and Post-Mobilization Training for Reserve and Guard units and personnel
- Provides funding to support an Army National Guard end strength of 350,000 Soldiers

Operation and Maintenance: \$44.3 billion

- Funds are provided for continued military operations in Iraq and Afghanistan to include: ground operations, flying hours, ship steaming days, aircraft and vehicle maintenance, logistics support, civilian personnel, and transportation
- Provides \$1.1 billion for body armor and personal protection equipment
- Provides \$1.5 billion for the Afghanistan Security Forces Fund and \$1.7 billion for the Iraq Security Forces Fund to allow indigenous security forces to assume greater responsibility for their own security
- Provides \$1.9 billion for the Joint Improvised Explosive Device Defeat Organization
- Maintains quarterly reporting requirement and the 5-day advance notification to Congress before making any transfer from Security Forces Funds and Joint Improvised Explosive Device Defeat Organization Fund

Procurement: \$19.8 billion

- Aircraft
  - Provides \$320 million to replace the battle loss of 20 UH-60 Blackhawk helicopters
  - Provides \$512 million to replace the battle loss of 17 CH-47 Chinook helicopters
  - Provides \$621 million to replace the battle loss of 18 AH-64 Apache aircraft
  - Provides funds for aircraft survivability
  - Provides \$2.09 billion to fund 10 C-17 transport aircraft
  - Continues acceleration of the U.S. Special Operations Command Predator acquisition program
  - Provides \$71 million for one V-22 Osprey to replace the loss of a CH-46 aircraft
  - Provides \$69 million to replace the loss of two H-1 aircraft
- Missiles
  - Fully funds Air Force Hellfire requirements for additional Predator orbits
  - Provides \$100 million for Marine Corps Hellfire Missiles
  - Fully funds Marine Corps HIMARS requirement
  - Provides \$159.4 million for Marine Corps TOW Bunker Buster missiles
- Army Vehicles/Force Protection
  - Provides \$82.1 million for replacement of Stryker vehicle combat losses
  - Provides \$25 million for Stryker vehicle armor
  - Provides \$1.4 billion for Bradley vehicle reset
  - Provides \$130 million for BFIST Fire Support Vehicles
  - Provides \$272.4 million for M88A2 Improved Recovery Vehicle
  - Provides \$1.1 billion for Abrams tank reset, M1A2SEP vehicle combat losses, and survivability enhancements
  - Provides \$1.07 billion for Up-armored HMMWVs and \$214 million for HMMWV Fragmentation kits and Gunner Protection Shields.
  - Provides \$455 million for the HMMWV recapitalization program
  - Provides \$794.7 million for Army Medium Tactical Vehicles and \$647.6 million for Heavy Tactical Vehicles
  - Provides \$83 million for Armored Security Vehicles
- Marine Corps Vehicles/Force Protection/Communications Equipment
  - Provides \$521.3 million for Marine Corps Up-armored HMMWVs
  - Provides \$228 million for Joint EOD Rapid Response Vehicles (JERW)
  - Provides \$298.6 million for Mine Resistant Utility Vehicles (MRUVs)
  - Provides \$800 million for Marine Corps radio systems
  - Provides \$267.2 million for Marine Corps Unit Operations Centers
  - Provides \$1.5 billion for various command and control equipment
  - Provides \$200 million for night vision equipment
  - Provides \$125 million for weapons

- Navy

- Provides over \$250 million for replacement of combat losses and force protection equipment for deploying units
- NGRE
  - Directs that \$2.94 billion of procurement funds be available for equipping the Army National Guard and the Army Reserve

Other

- Provides \$100 million for Counter-Drug activities in Afghanistan

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