

Congress of the United States
Washington, DC 20515

July 22, 2025

The Honorable Peter B. Hegseth
Secretary of Defense
Department of Defense
Washington, DC 20301-1000

Dear Mr. Secretary,

The House and Senate Committees on Armed Services are committed to working with you to implement the One Big Beautiful Bill's historic down payment of \$150 billion to restore American deterrence and support President Trump's Peace Through Strength agenda. From the beginning, the committees have recognized the urgent need to invest in our national security and worked closely with the White House and the Department of Defense to develop a unified approach to these investments. In combination with significant legislative reforms through the NDAA process, this funding will drive fundamental change at the Pentagon and help us maintain peace and prosperity for Americans.

To ensure appropriate congressional oversight over these critical investments, the committees request that the Department submit a spending, expenditure, or operating plan for the amounts made available pursuant to Title II of P.L. 119-21, the One Big Beautiful Bill Act, not later than August 22, 2025. We request that the plan include the same level of detail as required for the report submitted under section 8007 of division A of the Further Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2024 (P.L. 118-47; 138 Stat. 482). To inform the development of such plan, the committees are attaching guidance outlining the intended uses of the appropriations. Our staff will be reaching out to set up meetings with the appropriate stakeholders across DOD, OMB, and NSC.

We value your partnership and look forward to working with you on modernizing our military, enhancing our defense industrial base, and building a ready, capable, and lethal fighting force that will deter America's adversaries.

Sincerely,



Mike D. Rogers
Chairman
House Committee on Armed Services



Roger J. Wicker
Chairman
Senate Committee on Armed Services

Attachments:

1. Committee guidance on use of appropriations pursuant to P.L. 119-21
2. OBBB, Military Construction Activities