

President Donald J. Trump Delivers on Campaign Promises at First Joint Session of Congress

Washington, D.C. (February 27, 2017) On Tuesday, February 28, 2017 President Trump is to deliver his first address to a joint session of Congress to outline his budgetary and economic priorities.

Released today, the skinny budget, and not yet the full-blown budget, are the President's policies, as reflected in topline discretionary spending. "To that end, it is a true America-first budget. It will show the President is keeping his promises and doing exactly what he said he was going to do when he ran for office. It prioritizes rebuilding the military, including restoring our nuclear capabilities; protecting the nation and securing the border; enforcing the laws currently on the books; taking care of Vets; and increasing school choice. And it does all of that without adding to the currently projected FY 2018 deficit," said Director of the Office of Management and Budget, Mick Mulvaney at The White House Press Briefing.

"The top line defense discretionary number is \$603 billion. That's a \$54-billion increase -- it's one of the largest increases in history. It's also the number that allows the President to keep his promise to undo the military sequester. The topline nondefense number will be \$462 billion. That's a \$54-billion savings. It's the largest-proposed reduction since the early years of the Reagan administration.

"The reductions in nondefense spending follow the same model -- it's the President keeping his promises and doing exactly what he said he was going to do. It reduces money that we give to other nations, it reduces duplicative programs, and it eliminates programs that simply don't work.

"The bottom line is this: The President is going to protect the country and do so in exactly the same way that every American family has had to do over the last couple years, and that's prioritize spending," said Mulvaney.

A skinny budget makes no reference to mandatory spending, entitlement reforms, tax policies, revenue projections, or the infrastructure plan. The full-blown budget is due in May.

"We anticipate the full-blown budget to follow most recommendations of The Heritage Foundation *Blue Print for Reform: A Comprehensive Policy Agenda for a New Administration in 2017* to reduce and streamline the federal government by 20%, said David T. Boddie, Executive Director Federal Allies Institute.

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“We are pleased with these goals because Federal Allies Institute’s first policy decision was to advocate the association’s full-support behind Simpson Bowles and I believe we have been the sole federal contractor-comprised association in full-support of not selling to the federal government what it does not need and cannot afford,” said Boddie.

“We have always been America First and we look forward to hearing the President’s remarks and working with the administration for a streamlined federal government,” said Boddie.

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