

IRAQ FREEDOM FUND (IFF)

FY 2009 Supplemental Request

III. Financial Summary (\$ in Thousands):

A. Subactivity Group - USTRANSCOM - Transportation of Fallen Heroes

	<u>FY 2008</u>	<u>FY 2009</u>	<u>FY 2009</u>	<u>FY 2009</u>
	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Request</u>	<u>Bridge</u>	<u>Remaining</u>
1. 4.1 Airlift	3,750	15,000		15,000

Narrative Justification: The National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA) 2007, Section 562, requires the use of military or military contracted aircraft to transport Service members killed in combat operations from Dover Port Mortuary, Delaware to their final destination. Previously, air movements of human remains were primarily conducted using commercial scheduled service. IFF funds are needed to provide this service by dedicated airlift in FY 2009.

*In FY 2008, the Department spent \$11.9 million to transport human remains. The majority of these funds were originally appropriated in the U.S. Troop Readiness, Veterans Care, Katrina Recovery and Iraq Accountability Appropriations Act, 2007 and transferred to USTRANSCOM, Working Capital Fund for execution.

Impact if not funded: Failure to provide funds for the transportation of human remains may result in other higher priority programs being degraded so that the Department can comply with the requirements of the NDAA, 2007.

B. Subactivity Group - Guantanamo Bay Detainee Relocation

1. 3.0 Operating Support	50,000	50,000
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Narrative Justification: An Executive Order signed by the President on January 22, 2009 directs the closure of the detention facilities at the Guantanamo Bay Naval Base not later than one year from the date of the order. Any

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individuals still in detention at the facility at the time of its closing shall be returned to their home country, released, transferred to a third country, or transferred to another United States detention facility. IFF funding will enable the Secretary to support the relocation and disposition of individuals detained at the Guantanamo Bay Naval Base, the relocation of military and support forces associated with detainee operations, and the closure of detainee facilities.

Impact if not funded: Failure to provide funds for the closure of the detention operations at Joint Task Force Guantanamo Bay will result in the Department not being able to meet the requirements outlined in the President's Executive Order.

C. Subactivity Group -

Joint Rapid Acquisition Cell

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	350,000	350,000
IFF Total	3,750	415,000