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The Honorable Debbie Wasserman Schultz  
Chairwoman  
Subcommittee on Military Construction,  
Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies  
Committee on Appropriations  
U.S. House of Representatives  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Madam Chairwoman:

The purpose of this letter is to notify the committee of the proposed reprogramming of funds for the project and amount shown below. Detailed justification for the project is enclosed.

#	<u>Service/Agency/Installation</u>	<u>Project</u>	<u>Program</u>	<u>Request (\$)</u>
1	<u>Army</u> Fort Hood, Texas	Battalion Headquarters Complex	2018	4,500,000

A similar letter is being sent to the Chairman of the Senate Subcommittee on Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies. Thank you for your continued support of Defense programs.

Sincerely,

Thomas W. Harker  
Performing the Duties of the Under Secretary of  
Defense (Comptroller)/Chief Financial Officer

Enclosures:  
As stated

cc:  
The Honorable John Carter  
Ranking Member

Bid Expiration Date: December 30, 2020

Military Construction, Army

Reprogramming Request

Installation: Fort Hood, TX

Project: Battalion Headquarters Complex

Authorization: National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA) for Fiscal Year (FY) 2018,  
Public Law 115-91

Estimated Cost (\$000):

Previously Appropriated	37,000
Previously Reprogrammed	0
Requested Reprogramming	4,500
Total Estimated Cost	41,500

Project Description: This project constructs a Battalion Headquarters (BnHQ) Complex with a standard design medium BnHQ building with classrooms, two standard design Supply Support Activity (SSA) warehouses, and one modified standard design SSA warehouse. Facilities include an overhead canopy and organizational vehicle parking.

Justification: An additional \$4.5 million is required to award the contract for the modified SSA warehouse. Despite attempts to mitigate costs, bids still exceeded available funding. The increased cost is attributed to a lack of availability of a skilled workforce and construction materials due to a fully engaged construction industry as a result of the natural disasters Texas has experienced over the past few years. Much of the construction industry materials and labor are diverted to recovery efforts and contractors are paying a premium due to the increased demand for the materials and to attract the workforce.

A Title 10 USC 2853 notification dated April 28, 2020 was submitted to Congress.

Source of Funds: Savings from the following project will fund this requirement:

(Dollars in Thousands)

<u>Location/Project</u>	<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Amount Appropriated</u>	<u>Current Working Estimate</u>	<u>Proposed Reprogramming</u>
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Total				4,500

<sup>1/</sup> 10 USC 2853 cancelation notification dated April 28, 2020 was sent to the congressional committees.

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The Honorable John Boozman  
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United States Senate  
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