

(B) Increased Support for the Humanities and Arts.

We thank the 90th Congress for their increased support of the programs included in the National Foundation for the Arts and Humanities. The need to correct the imbalance between Federal support in these important areas with those for science and related fields calls for sharp expansion of funding of these Foundations in the years ahead. We reiterate our belief that, while maintaining active programs of individual and project grants, the new foundation should give major emphasis to the support of institutional programs.

(C) R.O.T.C. Programs and Facilities.

The Reserve Officers' Training Corps programs conducted by the Armed Services, in cooperation with our colleges and universities, have long been the chief source of officer personnel. No other method of officer procurement approaches these in terms of low cost to the Federal government and of the high quality of officers furnished to the Armed Services. In view of the fact that the colleges and universities are making a very significant contribution to the national security through the R.O.T.C. programs, the Department of Defense is urged to give further consideration to a provision for reimbursement of some part of the total costs for operating programs that have, as their primary objective, the production of military personnel. Further, these Associations support the Army and Air Force in their efforts to maintain efficient R.O.T.C. programs and to discontinue those that are clearly inefficient. The effect of present Selective Service deferment policies on R.O.T.C. enrollments is a matter of serious concern.

(D) Educational Research and Development Program.

The relatively modest Federal expenditures for educational research and development have produced useful results despite some lack of clarity in the Federal structures for their administration. Consultation with knowledgeable persons outside the Federal government, coordination of overlapping programs of Federal support, and continuity of program objectives and planning would all improve