

March 9, 2012

The Honorable Paul Ryan
Chairman
Committee on the Budget
United States House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Mr. Chairman:

Pursuant to §301(d) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 and clause 4(f) of House Rule X, and in response to your request dated February 1, 2012, the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence herewith provides its views and estimates on the President's budget for Fiscal Year 2013. The Committee is constrained in that the total amount of funding requested by the President within the Committee's jurisdiction, as well as the details underlying those figures, remains classified. As a result, we are unable to provide you with detailed, public recommendations as to the funding levels for Fiscal Year 2013.

While funding details for the U.S. government's intelligence activities are classified, we note that the Director of National Intelligence, in compliance with the Intelligence Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2010, has disclosed that the aggregate amount requested for the National Intelligence Program for fiscal year 2013 is \$52.6 billion. Within the National Intelligence Program, the funding levels for the Intelligence Community Management Account (ICMA) and the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement and Disability Program (CIARDs) are publicly available. The amounts requested for fiscal year 2013 for the ICMA and the CIARDS are \$540 million and \$514 million, respectively. In addition, the Department of Defense has disclosed that the aggregate amount requested for the Military Intelligence Program for fiscal year 2013 is \$19.2 billion.

The Committee generally believes that these amounts properly represent the resources required for the Intelligence Community to carry out its crucial mission in the coming fiscal years and urges the committee on the Budget to reflect these funding levels in its fiscal year 2013 budget resolution. The Committee also notes, however, that a full sequester under the Budget Control Act of 2011 would prevent the Intelligence Community from fully carrying out its missions. Such an outcome would be extremely harmful to our national security. This sequester must be avoided.

Sincerely,

Mike Rogers
Chairman