payment of salaries and expenses of personnel engaged upon the preparation of plans and specifications, field supervision, and general office expenses, may be transferred to and expended by the Public Buildings Administration of the Federal Works Agency [now the Administrator of General Services], and such funds may be consolidated in the books of the Treasury Department into a special account for direct expenditure in the prosecution of said work, and the Commissioner of Public Buildings is authorized to prepare drawings and specifications for this building prior to the approval by the Attornev General of the title to such acquisition.

"SEC. 6. That said building shall be appropriate in design and character and shall be used by the American National Red Cross, District of Columbia Chapter, and shall cost not less than \$1,000,000: Provided, That this expenditure shall include complete equipment.

*SEC. 7. That the person, firm, or corporation which the Commissioner of Public Buildings shall select to furnish professional architectural and engineering services required for the project shall be chosen from nominations made by the American National Red Cross, Dis-

trict of Columbia Chapter.

"SEC. 8. That the National Capital Housing Authority is hereby authorized and directed to transfer to the jurisdiction of the Federal Works Administrator [now the Administrator of General Services] such part of the site for said building as is now under the jurisdiction of said Authority: Provided, That the Treasurer of the United States is authorized and directed to credit said Authority with the fair market value, at the date of transfer, of the property so transferred: Provided further, That the Federal Works Administrator [now the Administrator of General Services] is hereby authorized to utilize the property so transferred, as well as that part of the site already under his jurisdiction, for the purposes of this Act.
"Sec. 9. That the Federal Works Administrator,

through the Public Buildings Administration [both now under the Administrator of General Services], is hereby authorized to furnish steam from the central heating plant for the heating of said building, such steam to be paid for by the American National Red Cross, District of Columbia Chapter, at such reasonable rates, not less than cost, as may be determined by the Federal Works Administrator [now Administrator of General Services]: Provided, That the Federal Works Administrator, through the Public Buildings Administration [both now under the Administrator of General Services], is authorized to prepare plans and specifications and to supervise and to contract for the work necessary to connect said building with the Government mains and to pay the cost of such work and services, including administrative expenses, from the funds consolidated into the Treasury pursuant to section 5 thereof.

"Sec. 10. The enactment of this joint resolution shall not be construed as establishing a policy of the United States Government to furnish building sites for Red Cross chapters or any eleemosynary institution at any

other place.

"SEC. 11. (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Administrator of the General Services Administration shall enter into a lease of the real property described in the first section of this Act with the American National Red Cross, District of Columbia Chapter. Such lease shall provide that such property shall be used as an office, medical and scientific facility by such Red Cross Chapter and the tenants of such Chapter on such terms and conditions as shall be customary and necessary, including that—

"(1) the lease shall be triple net to the United States and such Red Cross Chapter shall pay all taxes, insurance, and operating costs, and a rent of

\$1.00 for the term of the lease;

"(2) the lease term shall be for 99 years, and all improvements on such property shall revert to the ownership of the United States at the conclusion of the term."

term;
"(3) such Red Cross Chapter may (at the expense of such Chapter) demolish the improvements on such

property or any improvements constructed on such property after the date of enactment of this section [Nov. 8, 1988], build, own, operate, and maintain new improvements, enter into leases, finance improvements (and mortgage any improvements and the leasehold estate), and in all manner deal with the property subject only to the condition that the ownership interest of the United States in the land shall not be adversely affected;

"(4) any space not needed for the operations of such Red Cross Chapter or the American National Red Cross in any building or improvement constructed on such property shall be first made available for use by Federal agencies at rental rates and other related expenses that are less than fair market value and reflect the value of the property provided to such Red Cross Chapter under the provisions of this Act;

"(5) the United States shall cooperate with such Red Cross Chapter with respect to any zoning or other matters relating to the development or improvement of such property; and

"(6) the plans of any proposed building or improvement for construction after the date of the enactment of this section shall first be approved by the American National Red Cross, the Commission of Fine Arts, and the National Capital Planning Commission.

"(b) The enactment of this section may not be construed as establishing a policy of the United States Government to furnish building sites for Red Cross chapters or any eleemosynary institution at any other place."

§ 300109. Endowment fund

The endowment fund of the corporation shall be kept and invested under the management and control of a board of trustees elected by the board of governors. The corporation shall prescribe policies and regulations on terms and tenure of office, accountability, and expenses of the board of trustees.

(Pub. L. 105–225, Aug. 12, 1998, 112 Stat. 1493; Pub. L. 110–26, § 9, May 11, 2007, 121 Stat. 109.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Revised Section	Source (U.S. Code)	Source (Statutes at Large)
300109	36:9.	Jan. 5, 1905, ch. 23, §8, as added June 23, 1910, ch. 372, §2, 36 Stat. 604; May 8, 1947, ch. 50, §7, 61 Stat. 83.

The words "from time to time" are omitted [as] unnecessary.

AMENDMENTS

2007—Pub. L. 110–26 struck out "nine" before "trustees elected" in first sentence and substituted "The corporation shall prescribe policies and regulations on terms and tenure of office, accountability, and expenses of the board of trustees." for "The board of governors shall prescribe regulations on terms and tenure of office, accountability, and expenses of the board of trustees."

§ 300110. Annual report and audit

(a) SUBMISSION OF REPORT.—As soon as practicable after the end of the corporation's fiscal year, which may be changed from time to time by the board of governors, the corporation shall submit a report to the Secretary of Defense on the activities of the corporation during such fiscal year, including a complete, itemized report of all receipts and expenditures.

- (b) AUDITING OF REPORT AND SUBMISSION TO CONGRESS.—The Secretary shall audit the report and submit a copy of the audited report to Con-
- (c) PAYMENT OF AUDIT EXPENSES.—The corporation shall reimburse the Secretary each year for auditing its accounts. The amount paid shall be deposited in the Treasury of the United States as a miscellaneous receipt.

(Pub. L. 105-225, Aug. 12, 1998, 112 Stat. 1493; Pub. L. 110-26, § 10, May 11, 2007, 121 Stat. 109.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Revised Section	Source (U.S. Code)	Source (Statutes at Large)
300110(a)-(c)	36:6.	Jan. 5, 1905, ch. 23, §6, 33 Stat. 602; Feb. 27, 1917, ch. 137, 39 Stat. 946; July 17, 1953, ch. 222, §4(c), 67 Stat. 179.
	36:7.	May 29, 1920, ch. 214, §1 (1st complete par. on p. 659), 41 Stat. 659; July 17, 1953, ch. 222, §5, 67 Stat. 179.

In subsection (a), the words "make and", "next preceding", and "full" are omitted as unnecessary. The word "activities" is substituted for "proceedings" for consistency in the revised title. The words "all receipts and expenditures" are substituted for "receipts and expenditures of whatever kind" to eliminate unnecessary

In subsections (b) and (c), the word "Secretary" is substituted for "Department of Defense" for consistency.

AMENDMENTS

2007—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 110-26 reenacted heading without change and amended text generally. Prior to amendment, text read as follows: "As soon as practicable after July 1 of each year, the corporation shall submit a report to the Secretary of Defense on the activities of the corporation during the fiscal year ending June 30, including a complete, itemized report of all receipts and expenditures.

§ 300111. Authority of the Comptroller General of the United States

The Comptroller General of the United States is authorized to review the corporation's involvement in any Federal program or activity the Government carries out under law.

(Added Pub. L. 110-26, §11(a), May 11, 2007, 121 Stat. 109.)

PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 300111 was renumbered section 300113 of this title.

§ 300112. Office of the Ombudsman

(a) ESTABLISHMENT.—The corporation shall establish an Office of the Ombudsman with such duties and responsibilities as may be provided in the bylaws or a resolution of the board of governors.

- (b) Report.—
- (1) IN GENERAL.—The Office of the Ombudsman shall submit annually to the appropriate Congressional committees a report concerning any trends and systemic matters that the Office of the Ombudsman has identified as confronting the corporation.
- (2) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMIT-TEES.—For purposes of paragraph (1), the appropriate Congressional committees are the following committees of Congress:
 - (A) SENATE COMMITTEES.—The appropriate Congressional committees of the Senate
 - (i) the Committee on Finance;
 - (ii) the Committee on Foreign Relations;
 - (iii) the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions;
 - (iv) the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs; and
 - (v) the Committee on the Judiciary.
 - (B) House committees.—The appropriate Congressional committees of the House of Representatives are-
 - (i) the Committee on Energy and Commerce:
 - (ii) the Committee on Foreign Affairs:
 - (iii) the Committee on Homeland Securitv:
 - (iv) the Committee on the Judiciary; and (v) the Committee on Ways and Means.
- (Added Pub. L. 110-26, §11(a), May 11, 2007, 121 Stat. 110.)

§ 300113. Reservation of right to amend or repeal

Congress reserves the right to amend or repeal the provisions of this chapter.

(Pub. L. 105–225, Aug. 12, 1998, 112 Stat. 1494, §300111; renumbered §300113, Pub. L. 110-26, §11(a), May 11, 2007, 121 Stat. 109.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Revised Section	Source (U.S. Code)	Source (Statutes at Large)
300111	36:8	Jan. 5, 1905, ch. 23, §7, 33 Stat. 602.

AMENDMENTS

2007—Pub. L. 110-26 renumbered section 300111 of this title as this section.