

grams of assistance under subchapter III were covered by section 1736c of this title prior to amendment of that section by Pub. L. 101-624, and by sections 1709, 1724 of this title prior to the amendment of those sections by Pub. L. 89-808.

## AMENDMENTS

2008—Pub. L. 110-246 substituted “2012” for “2007”.  
 2002—Pub. L. 107-171 substituted “2007” for “2002”.  
 1996—Pub. L. 104-127 substituted “2002” for “1995”.  
 1990—Pub. L. 101-624 amended section generally, substituting present provisions for provisions relating to Presidential reports to Congress concerning activities carried out under this chapter, a global assessment of food production and needs and planned programming of food assistance, and a comparative cross-country evaluation of programs conducted under portions of this chapter, provisions requiring the Secretary to issue revised regulations governing operations of subchapter II of this chapter, and provisions relating to the delivery of bagged commodities.

1985—Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 99-83 inserted reference to subchapter III in two places.

1981—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 97-98 substituted “February 15” for “April 1”.

1980—Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 96-470 struck out requirement that the President submit a report not later than March 31 of each year.

1977—Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 95-88 substituted provisions that, not later than September 30 of each year, the President submit to the Congress a report containing a global assessment of food production and needs and setting forth planned programming of food assistance under subchapter II of this chapter for the coming fiscal year, and that, not later than December 31, March 31, and June 30 of each year, the President submit a report to the Congress showing the current status of planned programming of food assistance under subchapter II of this chapter for the current fiscal year, for provisions that, in his presentation to the Congress of planned programming of food assistance for each fiscal year, the President include a global assessment of food production and needs, self-help steps which are being taken by food-short countries under section 1709(a) of this title, steps which are being taken to encourage other countries to increase their participation in food assistance or the financing of food assistance, and the relationship between food assistance provided to each country under this chapter and other foreign assistance provided to such country by the United States and other donors.

Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 95-88 substituted provisions that, beginning Oct. 1, 1978, and at each five-year interval thereafter, the President submit to the Congress a comparative cross-country evaluation of programs conducted under subchapters I, III, and III-A of this chapter, and that such evaluations cover no fewer than five countries sampled from the developing regions (Asia, Africa, Latin America, and Caribbean), and assess the nutritional and other impacts, achievements, problems, and future prospects for programs thereunder, for provisions that, not later than November 1 of each calendar year the President submit to the House Committee on Agriculture, the House Committee on International Relations, the Senate Committee on Agriculture and Forestry, and the Senate Committee on Foreign Relations a revised global assessment of food production and needs, and revised planned programming of food assistance for the current fiscal year, to reflect, to the maximum extent feasible, the actual availability of commodities for food assistance.

Subsecs. (d), (e). Pub. L. 95-113 added subsecs. (d) and (e).

1975—Pub. L. 94-161 designated existing provisions as subsec. (a), substituted “fiscal” for “calendar” in first sentence, and added subsecs. (b) and (c).

## EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2008 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 110-246 effective May 22, 2008, see section 4(b) of Pub. L. 110-246, set out as an Effective Date note under section 8701 of this title.

## EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1990 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 101-624 effective Jan. 1, 1991, see section 1513 of Pub. L. 101-624, set out as a note under section 1691 of this title.

## EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1985 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 99-83 effective Oct. 1, 1985, see section 1301 of Pub. L. 99-83, set out as a note under section 2151-1 of Title 22, Foreign Relations and Intercourse.

## EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1981 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 97-98 effective Dec. 22, 1981, see section 1801 of Pub. L. 97-98, set out as an Effective Date note under section 4301 of this title.

## EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1977 AMENDMENTS

Amendment by Pub. L. 95-113 effective Oct. 1, 1977, see section 1901 of Pub. L. 95-113, set out as a note under section 1307 of this title.

Amendment by Pub. L. 95-88 effective Oct. 1, 1977, see section 215 of Pub. L. 95-88, set out as a note under section 1702 of this title.

## EFFECTIVE DATE

Section effective Jan. 1, 1967, see section 5 of Pub. L. 89-808, set out as an Effective Date of 1966 Amendment note under section 1691 of this title.

**§§ 1736c, 1736d. Repealed. Pub. L. 104-127, title II, § 218, 219, Apr. 4, 1996, 110 Stat. 957**

Section 1736c, act July 10, 1954, ch. 469, title IV, § 409, as added Nov. 11, 1966, Pub. L. 89-808, §2(E), 80 Stat. 1537; amended July 29, 1968, Pub. L. 90-436, §1, 82 Stat. 450; Nov. 30, 1970, Pub. L. 91-524, title VII, §701, 84 Stat. 1379; Aug. 10, 1973, Pub. L. 93-86, §1(26), 87 Stat. 237; Sept. 29, 1977, Pub. L. 95-113, title XII, §1208, 91 Stat. 957; Dec. 22, 1981, Pub. L. 97-98, title XII, §1216, 95 Stat. 1282; Dec. 23, 1985, Pub. L. 99-198, title XI, §1105, 99 Stat. 1466; Nov. 28, 1990, Pub. L. 101-624, title XV, §1512, 104 Stat. 3653; Dec. 13, 1991, Pub. L. 102-237, title III, §322, 105 Stat. 1857, required promulgation of regulations to implement chapter not later than 180 days after Nov. 28, 1990.

Section 1736d, act July 10, 1954, ch. 469, title IV, §410, as added Nov. 11, 1966, Pub. L. 89-808, §2(E), 80 Stat. 1538; amended Nov. 28, 1990, Pub. L. 101-624, title XV, §1512, 104 Stat. 3653; Dec. 13, 1991, Pub. L. 102-237, title III, §322, 105 Stat. 1857, provided for independent evaluation of programs under subchapters II, III, and III-A of this chapter and report to Congress.

**§ 1736e. Debt forgiveness**

**(a) Authority**

The President, taking into account the financial resources of a country, may waive payments of principal and interest that such country would otherwise be required to make to the Commodity Credit Corporation under dollar sales agreements under subchapter II of this chapter if—

(1) that country is a least developed country; and

(2) either—

(A) an International Monetary Fund standby agreement is in effect with respect to that country;

(B) a structural adjustment program of the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development or of the International Development Association is in effect with respect to that country;

(C) a structural adjustment facility, enhanced structural adjustment facility, or

similar supervised arrangement with the International Monetary Fund is in effect with respect to that country; or

(D) even though such an agreement, program, facility, or arrangement is not in effect, the country is pursuing national economic policy reforms that would promote democratic, market-oriented, and long term economic development.

**(b) Request for debt relief by President**

The President may provide debt relief under subsection (a) of this section only if a notification is submitted to Congress at least 10 days prior to providing the debt relief. Such a notification shall—

(1) specify the amount of official debt the President proposes to liquidate; and

(2) identify the countries for which debt relief is proposed and the basis for their eligibility for such relief.

**(c) Appropriations action required**

The aggregate amount of principal and interest waived under this section may not exceed the amount approved for such purpose in an Act appropriating funds to carry out this chapter.

**(d) Limitation on new credit assistance**

If the authority of this section is used to waive payments otherwise required to be made by a country pursuant to this chapter, the President may not provide any new credit assistance for that country under this chapter during the 2-year period beginning on the date such waiver authority is exercised, unless the President provides to the Congress, before the assistance is provided, a written justification for the provision of such new credit assistance.

**(e) Applicability**

The authority of this section applies with respect to credit sales agreements entered into before November 28, 1990.

(July 10, 1954, ch. 469, title IV, §411, as added Pub. L. 91-524, title VII, §704, Nov. 30, 1970, as added Pub. L. 93-86, §1(26), Aug. 10, 1973, 87 Stat. 237; amended Pub. L. 101-624, title XV, §1512, Nov. 28, 1990, 104 Stat. 3654; Pub. L. 102-237, title III, §§322, 326, 336, Dec. 13, 1991, 105 Stat. 1857, 1859.)

AMENDMENTS

1991—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 102-237, §326, substituted “subchapter II of this chapter” for “this subchapter” in introductory provisions.

Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 102-237, §336, inserted “at least 10 days prior to providing the debt relief” before period at end of first sentence.

Subsec. (e). Pub. L. 102-237, §322, substituted “November 28, 1990” for “the date of enactment of this Act”.

1990—Pub. L. 101-624 amended section generally, substituting present provisions for provisions prohibiting assistance under subchapters II, III and III-A of this chapter to North Vietnam after July 1, 1973, unless specifically authorized by Act of Congress.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1990 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 101-624 effective Jan. 1, 1991, see section 1513 of Pub. L. 101-624, set out as a note under section 1691 of this title.

DELEGATION OF FUNCTIONS

Functions of President under this section delegated to Secretary of Agriculture, in consultation with Food

Assistance Policy Council and Department of the Treasury, by section 4(d) of Ex. Ord. No. 12752, Feb. 25, 1991, 56 F.R. 8256, set out as a note under section 1691 of this title.

RENEGOTIATION OF PAYMENT TERMS OF LOANS FOR SALE OF AGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES

Pub. L. 102-27, title II, Apr. 10, 1991, 105 Stat. 147, as amended by Pub. L. 110-246, title III, §3001(c), June 18, 2008, 122 Stat. 1821, provided that: “Title I of the Public Law 480 [7 U.S.C. 1701 et seq.] program allowed for the repayment of loans for the sale of agricultural commodities in foreign or local currencies until December 31, 1971. Since that time, until the law was changed in the 1985 farm bill [probably means Pub. L. 99-198, see Tables for classification], all sales have been on dollar credit terms. In view of the present financial situation, it is impossible for many countries to repay their loans in dollars. Therefore, the President may use the authority in section 411 and section 604 of the Food for Peace Act [7 U.S.C. 1736e, 1738c] to renegotiate the payment on Public Law 480 debt in eligible countries in Latin America, the Caribbean and sub-Saharan Africa.”

**§ 1736f. Authorization of appropriations**

**(a) Authorization of appropriations**

There are authorized to be appropriated—

(1) for fiscal year 2008 and each fiscal year thereafter, \$2,500,000,000 to carry out the emergency and nonemergency food assistance programs under subchapter III; and

(2) such sums as are necessary—

(A) to carry out the concessional credit sales program established under subchapter II;

(B) to carry out the grant program established under subchapter III-A; and

(C) to make payments to the Commodity Credit Corporation to the extent the Commodity Credit Corporation is not reimbursed under the programs under this chapter for the actual costs incurred or to be incurred by the Commodity Credit Corporation in carrying out such programs.

**(b) Transfer of funds**

**(1) In general**

Except as provided in paragraph (2) and notwithstanding any other provision of law, the President may direct that up to 15 percent of the funds available for any fiscal year for carrying out any subchapter of this chapter be used to carry out any other subchapter of this chapter.

**(2) Subchapter III-A funds**

The President may direct that up to 50 percent of the funds available for any fiscal year for carrying out subchapter III-A of this chapter be used to carry out subchapter III of this chapter.

**(c) Budget**

In presenting the Budget of the United States, the President shall classify expenditures under this chapter as expenditures for international affairs and finance rather than for agriculture and agricultural resources.

**(d) Value of commodities**

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, in determining the reimbursement due the Commodity Credit Corporation for all expenses incurred under this chapter, commodities from the