(6) support for other Japan-United States cultural and educational activities consistent with the purposes of this chapter.

c) Use of amounts in Fund for administrative expenses of Japan-United States Friendship Commission

Amounts in the Fund may also be used to pay administrative expenses of the Japan-United States Friendship Commission, established by section 2903 of this title, as directed by that Commission.

d) Authorization of appropriations; source of amounts

There is authorized to be appropriated to the Fund, for fiscal year 1976, an amount equal to 7.5 percent of the total funds payable to the United States pursuant to the Agreement Between Japan and the United States of America Concerning the Ryukyu Islands and the Daito Islands, signed at Washington and Tokyo, June 17, 1971, including interest and proceeds accruing to the Fund from such funds in accordance with sections 2905(4) and 2906 of this title.

e) Additional authorization of appropriations; source of amounts; subsequent use of unappropriated portion of amounts authorized to be appropriated

(1) There is authorized to be appropriated to the Fund, for fiscal year 1976, in addition to the amount authorized to be appropriated by subsection (d) of this section, those funds available in United States accounts in Japan and transferred by the Government of Japan to the United States pursuant to the United States request made under article V of the agreement between the United States of America and Japan regarding the settlement of Postwar Economic Assistance to Japan, signed in Tokyo, January 9, 1962, and the exchange of notes of the same date (13 U.S.T. 1957; T.I.A.S. 5154) (the G.A.R.I.O.A. Account), including interest accruing to the G.A.R.I.O.A. Account and interest and proceeds accruing to the Fund from such funds in accordance with sections 2905(4) and 2906 of this title.

(2) The amount authorized to be appropriated by paragraph (1) of this subsection shall not include any amount required by law to be applied to United States participation in the International Ocean Exposition to be held in Okinawa, Japan.

(3) Any unappropriated portion of the amount authorized to be appropriated by subsection (d) of this section and paragraph (1) of this subsection for fiscal year 1976 may be appropriated in any subsequent fiscal year.

§ 2904. Functions of Commission

(a) Promotion of scholarly, cultural, and artistic activities; grants

The Commission is authorized to—

(1) develop and carry out programs at public or private institutions for the promotion of scholarly, cultural, and artistic activities in Japan and the United States consistent with the provisions of section 2902(b) of this title; and

(2) make grants to carry out such programs.

(b) Annual report

The Commission shall submit to the President and to the Congress an annual report of its ac-
activities under this chapter together with such
recommendations as the Commission determines
appropriate.

§ 2905. Administrative powers of Commission

In order to carry out its functions under this
chapter, the Commission is authorized to—
(1) prescribe such regulations as it deems
necessary governing the manner in which its
functions shall be carried out;
(2) receive money and property donated, be-
queathed, or devised, without condition or re-
striction other than that it be used for the
purposes of this chapter; and to use, sell, or
otherwise dispose of such property (including
transfer to the Fund) for the purpose of carry-
ning out the purposes of this chapter, and any
such donation shall be exempt from any Fed-
eral income, State, or gift tax;
(3) in the discretion of the Commission, re-
cieve (and use, sell, or otherwise dispose of,
in accordance with paragraph (2) money and
other property donated, bequeathed, or de-
vised to the Commission with a condition or
restriction, including a condition that the
Commission use other funds of the Commis-
sion for the purposes of the gift, and any such
donation shall be exempt from any Federal in-
come, State, or gift tax;
(4) direct the Secretary of the Treasury to
make expenditure of the income of the Fund,
any amount of the contributions deposited in
the Fund from nonappropriated sources pursu-
tant to paragraph (2) or (3) of this section, and
not to exceed 5 percent annually of the prin-
cipal of the total amount appropriated to the
Fund to carry out the purposes of this chapter,
including the payment of Commission expen-
ses if needed;
(5) appoint an Executive Director, without
regard to the provisions of title 5 governing
appointments in the competitive service, who
shall be compensated at the rate provided for
a GS–18 of the General Schedule of such title;
(6) obtain the services of experts and con-
sultants in accordance with the provisions of
section 3109 of title 5, at rates for individuals
not to exceed the rate specified at the time of
such service for grade GS–18 in section 5332 of
title 5;
(7) accept and utilize the services of vol-
untary and noncompensated personnel and re-
imburse them for travel expenses, including
per diem, as authorized by section 5703 of title
5;
(8) enter into contracts, grants, or other ar-
rangements, or modifications thereof;
(9) make advances, progress, and other pay-
ments which the Commission deems necessary
under this chapter;
(10) obtain such administrative support serv-
dices and personnel as the Commission deems
necessary and appropriate to its needs; and
(11) transmit its official mail as penalty
mail in the same manner and upon the same
conditions as an officer of the United States
other than a Member of Congress is permitted
to transmit official mail as penalty mail under
section 3202 of title 39.
833; Pub. L. 95–426, title VII, § 703(a), Oct. 7, 1978,
24, 1982, 96 Stat. 256; Pub. L. 102–138, title I, § 107,
§ 101(b) [title IV, § 404(a)], Oct. 21, 1998, 112 Stat.
2681–50, 2681–101.)

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for “needed, except that any amounts expended from
amounts appropriated to the Fund under section
2902(e)(1) of this title shall be expended in Japan or for
not more than 50 percent of administrative expenses in
more than 50 percent of administrative expenses in the
amount of the contributions deposited in the Fund
from nonappropriated sources pursuant to paragraph
(2) or (3) of this section, and not to exceed 5 percent an-
nually of the principal of the total amount appro-
priated to the Fund” for “and not to exceed 5 percent per
1976—Par. (10). Pub. L. 94–350 struck out “from the
Secretary of State, on a reimbursable basis,” after “ob-
tain”.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1978 AMENDMENT
992, provided that: “The amendments made by this sec-
tion [amending this section] shall take effect on Octo-
ber 1, 1978.”

REFERENCES IN OTHER LAWS TO GS–16, 17, OR 18 PAY RATES
References in laws to the rates of pay for GS–16, 17,
or 18, or to maximum rates of pay under the General
Schedule, to be considered references to rates payable
under specified sections of Title 5, Government Organi-
zation and Employees, see section 529 (title I, § 101(c)(1))
of Pub. L. 105–277, set out in a note under section 5376
of Title 5.

§ 2906. Management of the Friendship Trust
Fund

(a) Constituent amounts

The Fund shall consist of—
(1) amounts appropriated under sections
2902(d) and (e)(1) of this title;
(2) any other amounts received by the Fund
by way of gifts and donations; and
(3) interest and proceeds credited to it under
subsection (b) of this section.

(b) Investments by Secretary of Treasury in au-
thorized obligations; issuance of obligations
and special obligations; conditions of acquisi-
tion

It shall be the duty of the Secretary of the
Treasury (hereafter referred to as the “Sec-
retary”) to invest such portion of the Fund as is
not, in the judgment of the Commission, re-
quired to meet current withdrawals. Such in-
vestment may be made only in interest-bearing
obligations of the United States, in obligations
guaranteed as to both principal and interest by
the United States, in interest-bearing obliga-
tions of Japan, or in obligations guaranteed as
to both principal and interest by Japan. For
such purposes, the obligations may be acquired