pino Rehabilitation Commission, subject to the following conditions

and with the following powers and duties:

(a) The members of the Commission shall be appointed not later than fifteen days after the passage of this Act. Within ten days thereafter the ranking member of the Senate appointees and the ranking member of the Filipino appointees shall jointly call a meeting of the Commission to be held in the Capitol of the United States for the purpose of organization. In case of death or resignation of a member, such vacancy shall be filled by the original appointing power.

(b) The Commission shall investigate all matters affecting post-war economy, trade, finance, economic stability, and rehabilitation of the Philippine Islands, including the matter of damages to public and private property and to persons occasioned by enemy attack and

occupation.

(c) To formulate recommendations based upon such investigations and for future trade relations between the United States and the independent Philippine Republic when established and to consider the extension of the present or heretofore agreed upon trade relations or otherwise for a period of years to make adjustments for the period of occupancy by the Japanese in order to reestablish trade relations as provided for in the original Independence Act.

(d) The Commission is authorized to employ expert legal and clerical assistance, to establish offices in the Philippine Islands and in the United States, and to make rules and regulations for the trans-

action of its business pertinent to the provisions of this Act.

(e) The Commission shall make annual reports to the President of the United States and to the Congress, and to the President and the Congress of the Philippines, and more frequently if so desired, and make such recommendations from time to time as it deems necessary

to carry out the purposes and intents of this Act.

(f) The Commission is authorized to fix the salary of all necessary expert and clerical assistance, to provide for travel and other expenses incident to its labor, and to do all other things pertinent to this Act. The annual compensation of the United States members of this Commission, other than those holding official positions under the United States Government, shall be on a per diem basis at the rate of \$10,000 per annum. The compensation of the Philippine members of the Commission shall be determined by the Government of the Philippine Commonwealth. The United States, as herein provided, shall compensate the members of the Commission who represent it, and the Commonwealth of the Philippines, or the Filipino Republic, as the case may be, shall compensate the members of the Commission appointed by it or them. Otherwise, the expenses of the Commonwealth of the Philippines, or the Filipino Republic, as the case may be.

SEC. 2. For the purpose of carrying on its duties, there is hereby authorized to be appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not

otherwise appropriated, such sums as may be necessary.

Approved June 29, 1944.

[CHAPTER 324]

AN ACT

Making appropriations for defense aid (lend-lease), for the participation by the United States in the work of the United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration, and for the Foreign Economic Administration, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1945, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the following

Appointment; meeting; vacancies.

Investigations affecting post-war economy, etc.

Recommendations.

Legal and clerical assistance; offices; rules and regulations.

Reports.

Salaries and other expenses.

Division of expenses.

Appropriation authorized.

June 30, 1944 [H. R. 4937] [Public Law 382] 55 Stat. 31. 22 U. S. C., Supp. III, §§ 411-419. Ante, pp. 122, 222. sums are appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for defense aid pursuant to the Act of March 11, 1941, as amended, for participation by the United States in the work of the United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration pursuant to the Act of March 28, 1944, and for the support of the Foreign Economic Administration, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1945, and for other purposes, as follows:

Defense Aid Appropriation Act, 1945.

TITLE I—DEFENSE AID—LEND-LEASE

SEC. 101. To enable the President, during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1945, through such departments or agencies of the Government as he may designate, further to carry out the provisions of an Act to promote the defense of the United States, approved March 11, 1941, as amended, and for each and every purpose incident to or necessary therefor, the following sums for the following respective purposes:

(a) For the procurement, by manufacture or otherwise, of defense articles, information, and services, for the government of any country whose defense the President deems vital to the defense of the United States, and the disposition thereof, including all necessary expenses

in connection therewith, as follows:

Agricultural, industrial, and other commodities and articles,

\$3,446,361,000.

(b) For administrative expenses, not specified or included in the appropriation for "Salaries and expenses, Foreign Economic Administration, 1945", \$4,209,000.

(c) In all, \$3,450,570,000. (d) Each of the foregoing appropriations shall be additional to, and consolidated with, the appropriations for the same purposes, contained in the same respective categories of appropriation in the Defense Aid Supplemental Appropriation Act, 1941, the Defense Aid Supplemental Appropriation Act, 1942, the Second Defense Aid Supplemental Appropriation Act, 1942, and the Defense Aid Supplemental Appropriation Act, 1943, and the appropriations contained in the foregoing Acts are hereby continued and shall be available until June 30, 1945; and \$88,299,000 of the money and property converted into money which have been hitherto received as a result of operations under said Act of March 11, 1941, as amended, is hereby consolidated with, and shall be available until June 30, 1945, for any of the purposes of, the appropriation for "Agricultural, industrial, and other commodities and articles": Provided, That with the exception of the appropriation for "Administrative expenses", not to exceed 20 per centum of any of the foregoing appropriations may be transferred by the President to any other of such appropriations, but no such appropriation shall be increased more than 30 per centum thereby: Provided further, That notwithstanding the foregoing proviso (1) balances, unobligated as of June 30, 1944, and balances subsequently released from obligation, of appropriations contained in the foregoing Acts for "Ordnance and ordnance stores, supplies, spare parts, and materials, including armor and ammunition and components thereof", and for "Miscellaneous military equipment, supplies, and materials", may be transferred by the President to and consolidated with the appropriation provided above for "Agricultural, industrial, and other commodities and articles", and (2) balances, unobligated as of June 30, 1944, and balances subsequently released from obligation, of appropriations contained in the foregoing Acts for "Necessary services and expenses" may be transferred by the President to and consolidated with any of the appropriations pro-

55 Stat. 31. 22 U. S. C., Supp. III, §§ 411-419. Ante, p. 222.

Procurement and disposition of defense articles, etc.

Administrative expenses.

Post, p. 630.

Total.

Consolidation of funds.

55 Stat. 53, 745; 56 Stat. 130; 57 Stat. 151.

Availability.

Supra.
Transfer of funds.

58 STAT.]

vided above, except the appropriation for "Administrative expenses". SEC. 102. Any defense article, information, or service procured from funds appropriated by this title or prior Acts appropriating funds to the President for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of said Act of March 11, 1941, as amended, shall be retained by or transferred to and for the use of such department or agency of the United States 11, §§ 411-419.

Ante, p. 222. as the President may determine, in lieu of being disposed of to a foreign government, whenever in the judgment of the President the defense of the United States will be best served thereby: Provided for the That non-of-the formula will be best served thereby: further, That none of the funds appropriated in this title shall be used for the payment of any subsidy on agricultural products produced in the continental United States nor for the purchase or distribution of any food products for use in Puerto Rico or the Virgin Islands.

Sec. 103. This title may be cited as "Defense Aid Appropriation Act,

1945".

TITLE II—UNITED NATIONS RELIEF AND REHABILITATION ADMINISTRATION

Sec. 201. To enable the President to carry out the provisions of the Act of March 28, 1944 (Public Law 267), and for each and every purpose incident thereto or necessary therefor, \$450,000,000, not to exceed \$21,700,000 shall be available for procurement of sixty-one million seven hundred thousand pounds of domestic raw wool, or such amount of domestic raw wool as the foregoing sum will purchase, from stock piles of the United States Government existing on the date of the approval of this Act and not to exceed \$43,200,000 shall be available for procurement of three hundred and forty-five thousand five hundred bales of domestic cotton, or such amount of domestic cotton as the foregoing sum will purchase, owned by the Commodity Credit Corporation, to be available immediately and to remain available until June 30, 1946: *Provided*, That (1) any sums allocated by the President to any executive department, independent establishment, or agency for any of the purposes hereof, from funds appropriated by or authorized to be expended under this title or from funds made available by the United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration, may be expended without regard to those provisions of law waived by law with respect to the expenditure of Government funds by such department, independent establishment, or agency; (2) the appropriations, funds, or accounts of any executive department, independent establishment, or agency shall be reimbursed or credited from sums allocated hereunder, except as hereinafter provided, for any supplies or services procured from such appropriations or funds or by use of such accounts and furnished for any of the purposes hereof; and (3) any supplies or services procured from funds appropriated by or authorized to be expended under this title may be retained by or transferred to any executive department, independent establishment, or agency, and said funds shall be reimbursed from payments made in return therefor by such department, independent establishment, or agency: Provided further, That any officer or employee of any executive department, independent establishment, or agency who is detailed to the United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration and compensated hereunder, either directly or by reimbursement of applicable appropriations or funds, shall, while so detailed, retain and be entitled to the rights, benefits, privileges, and status of an officer or employee of the United States and of the department, independent establishment, or agency from which detailed.

Retention of de-fense article, etc., by U. S.

Restriction on use of funds.

Citation of title.

United Nations Re-lief and Rehabilita-tion Administration Participation Appro-priation Act, 1945.

Ante, p. 122.

Procurement of domestic raw wool.

Domestic cotton owned by Commodity Credit Corporation.

Expenditure of sums allocated by the President.

Reimbursements or

Supplies and serv-

Status of detailed officers or employee

Supplies, etc., available for disposition under prior Acts.

55 Stat. 31. 22 U. S. C., Supp. II, §§ 411-419. Ante, p. 222. Ш

Ante. D. 122.

Limitation; accounting.

Certification by U.S. Joint Chiefs of Staff.

Citation of title.

Sec. 202. In addition to the sum appropriated by section 201 of this title, any supplies, services, or funds available for disposition or expenditure by the President under the Act of March 11, 1941, as amended (22 U. S. C. 411-419), and Acts supplementary thereto, may be disposed of or expended by the President to carry out the provisions of the Act of March 28, 1944, without reimbursement of the appropriations from which such supplies or services were procured or such funds were provided: Provided, That the supplies, services, and funds disposed of or expended under the authority of this section shall not exceed a total value, as determined under regulations to be approved by the President of \$350,000,000 and shall be charged to the amount authorized to be appropriated by said Act of March 28, 1944: Provided further, That the authority granted by this section shall not become effective until the United States Joint Chiefs of Staff shall have issued a certification that the state of the war permits the exercise of such authority and the utilization of lend-lease supplies, services, or funds for the purposes of section 201 of this title; and after such certification such utilization shall be upon the determination of the Administrator of the Foreign Economic Administration. SEC. 203. This title may be cited as "United Nations Relief and

Rehabilitation Administration Participation Appropriation Act, 1945"

Foreign Economic Administration Ap-propriation Act, 1945.

TITLE III—EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

OFFICE FOR EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

FOREIGN ECONOMIC ADMINISTRATION

Salaries and expenses.
Post. p. 874. Administrator and assistants.

Travel expenses.

54 Stat. 1105. 5 U. S. C. § 73c-1.

Advances.

Printing and binding. Emergency ex-

Expenditures of confidential character.

Salaries and expenses: For all expenses necessary to enable the Foreign Economic Administration to carry out its functions and activities, including salaries of the Administrator at \$15,000 per annum during the incumbency of the present Administrator, and four assistants to the Administrator at \$9,000 per annum each; employment of aliens; temporary employment of persons or organizations by contract or otherwise without regard to the civilservice and classification laws (not exceeding \$100,000); travel expenses (not exceeding \$275,000 for travel within continental United States), including expenses of employees of the Administration and the transportation of their personal effects to their first posts of duty in a foreign country and return to their homes; transportation of dependents and household goods and effects, in accordance with the Act of October 10, 1940, from foreign countries to their homes in the United States of employees of the Foreign Economic Administration and the State Department for whom such expenses to a foreign country were authorized and paid from funds allocated to the Board of Economic Warfare; advances of money, upon the furnishing of bond, to employees traveling in a foreign country, in such sums as the Administrator shall direct; reimbursement of employees for loss of personal effects in case of marine or aircraft disaster; rental of news-reporting services; purchase of, or subscription to, commercial and trade reports; printing and binding (not exceeding \$90,000); \$19,750,000, of which amount not to exceed \$75,000 shall be available for payment, or reimbursement to employees, as determined by the Administrator, for emergency or extraordinary expenses in connection with operations in foreign countries, without regard to the provisions of law regulating the expenditure, accounting for, and audit of Government funds: Provided further, That not to exceed \$500,000 of the amount herein appropriated shall be available for expenditures of a confidential character to be

expended under the direction of the Administrator, who shall make a certificate of the amount of each such expenditure which he may think it advisable not to specify, and every such certificate shall be deemed a sufficient voucher for the amount therein certified.

Payments for articles and materials requisitioned: For the purpose of making payments to the owners thereof for articles requisitioned under authority of the Acts of October 10, 1940, and October 16, 1941, as amended (50 U.S. C. App. 711 and 721), the unexpended balance as of June 30, 1944, of the fund consisting of (1) the allocation of \$200,000 to the Economic Defense Board from the emergency fund for the President by letter of November 26, 1941, and (2) the receipts credited to said appropriation by said Act of October 10, 1940, as amended and reallocated for the same purpose by said letter of allocation, is hereby continued available to the Foreign Economic Administration for the fiscal year 1945: Provided, That receipts of the sales of articles requisitioned by said Administrator under authority of said Act of October 16, 1941, shall be deposited to the credit of this fund and be immediately available for the purposes thereof.

No part of any funds appropriated or made available in this title to the Foreign Economic Administration shall be used directly or indirectly for the procurement of services, supplies, or equipment in connection with its foreign procurement activities outside the United States except for the purpose of executing general economic programs or policies formally approved in writing by a majority of the War Mobilization Committee and such writing has been filed with the

Secretary of State prior to any such expenditure.

Export-Import Bank of Washington, administrative expenses: Not to exceed \$340,000 of the funds of the Export-Import Bank of Washington, continued as an agency of the Government by the Act of September 26, 1940 (15 U.S. C. 713b), shall be available during the fiscal year 1945 for all administrative expenses of the bank, including personal services in the District of Columbia and elsewhere; travel expenses, in accordance with the Standardized Government Travel Regulations and the Act of June 3, 1926, as amended (5 U.S. C. 821-833); printing and binding; lawbooks and books of reference; not to exceed $$10\overline{0}$ for periodicals, \$200 for newspapers, and \$200 for maps; not to exceed \$15,000 for the temporary employment of persons or organizations for special services by contract or otherwise, without regard to section 3709 of the Revised Statutes; and rent in the District of Columbia: *Provided*, That all necessary expenses (including special services performed on a contract or fee basis, but not including other personal services) in connection with the acquisition, operation, maintenance, improvement, or disposition of any real or personal property belonging to the bank or in which it has an interest, including expenses of collections of pledged collateral, shall be considered as nonadministrative expenses for the purposes hereof: Provided further, That sections 201, 202, and 203 of the National War Agencies Appropriation Act, 1945, shall have no application to this appropriation.

Sec. 301. Those general provisions in the National War Agency Appropriation Act, 1945, applicable to the constituent agencies of the Office for Emergency Management, and those general provisions in such Act generally applicable to all agencies in such Act, are hereby made applicable to the same extent, except as otherwise

provided, to the appropriations in this title.

Sec. 302. This title may be cited as the "Foreign Economic Administration Appropriation Act, 1945".

Approved June 30, 1944.

Payments for requi-sitioned articles.

54 Stat. 1090; 55 Stat. 742.
50 U. S. C. app. § 712; Supp. III, § 711, 713, 721-724.
Ante, p. 624.

Receipts from sales.

Procurement side U.S., restriction.

Export · Import Bank of Washington.

54 Stat. 962. 15 U. S. C., Supp. III, § 713b.

44 Stat. 688. 5 U. S. C., Supp. III, § 823.

Temporary employment.

41 U.S.C.§ 5.

Nonadministrative

Nonapplication certain provisions.

Ante, pp. 545, 546.

Applicability of certain general provisions.

Ante, pp. 543, 545.

Citation of title.

[CHAPTER 325]

AN ACT

June 30, 1944 [S. 1764] [Public Law 383]

To amend the Emergency Price Control Act of 1942, as amended, and the Stabilization Act of October 2, 1942, as amended, and for other purposes.

Stabilization Extension Act of 1944.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That this Act may be cited as the "Stabilization Extension Act of 1944".

TITLE I—AMENDMENTS TO THE EMERGENCY PRICE

56 Stat. 23.

CONTROL ACT OF 1942

TERMINATION DATE

56 Stat. 24, 767. 50 U. S. C., Supp. III, app. § 901 (b). Sec. 101. Section 1 (b) of the Emergency Price Control Act of 1942, as amended, is amended by striking out "June 30, 1944" and substituting "June 30, 1945".

56 Stat. 24. 50 U. S. C., Supp. 111, app. § 902.

AMENDMENT OF SECTION 2 OF EMERGENCY PRICE CONTROL ACT OF 1942

Sec. 102. Section 2 of the Emergency Price Control Act of 1942, as amended, is amended to read as follows:

"PRICES, RENTS, AND MARKET AND RENTING PRACTICES

Establishment of maximum commodity prices.
56 Stat. 29.
50 U. S. C., Supp. III, app. § 921.
Post, p. 637.

Consideration of base period prevailing prices.

Adjustments for relevant factors.

No provision contrary to established accounting methods.

"Regulation or order."

Consultation with industry representa-

Industry advisory

"Sec. 2. (a) Whenever in the judgment of the Price Administrator (provided for in section 201) the price or prices of a commodity or commodities have risen or threaten to rise to an extent or in a manner inconsistent with the purposes of this Act, he may by regulation or order establish such maximum price or maximum prices as in his judgment will be generally fair and equitable and will effectuate the purposes of this Act. So far as practicable, in establishing any maximum price, the Administrator shall ascertain and give due consideration to the prices prevailing between October 1 and October 15, 1941 (or if, in the case of any commodity, there are no prevailing prices between such dates, or the prevailing prices between such dates are not generally representative because of abnormal or seasonal market conditions or other cause, then to the prices prevailing during the nearest two-week period in which, in the judgment of the Administrator, the prices for such commodity are generally representative), for the commodity or commodities included under such regulation or order, and shall make adjustments for such relevant factors as he may determine and deem to be of general applicability, including the following: Speculative fluctuations, general increases or decreases in costs of production, distribution, and transportation, and general increases or decreases in profits earned by sellers of the commodity or commodities, during and subsequent to the year ended October 1, 1941: *Provided*, That no such regulation or order shall contain any provision requiring the determination of costs otherwise than in accordance with established accounting methods. Every regulation or order issued under the foregoing provisions of this subsection shall be accompanied by a statement of the considerations involved in the issuance of such regulation or order. As used in the foregoing provisions of this subsection, the term 'regulation or order' means a regulation or order of general applicability and effect. Before issuing any regulation or order under the foregoing provisions of this subsection, the Administrator shall, so far as practicable, advise and consult with representative members of the industry which will be affected by such regulation or order, and shall give consideration to their recommendations. In the case of any commodity for which a maximum price has been established, the Administrator shall, at the