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COMMUNICATION FROM THE SECRETARY OF WAR.

Confederate States of America, War Department, Richmond, Va., March 3, 1863.

His Excellency, THE PRESIDENT:

Sin: I have the honor to enclose for transmission to Congress an estimate of additional funds required for the service of the ordnance bureau for the period ending June 30, 1363.

Very respectfully,
Your obedient servant.
JAMES A. SEDDON,
Secretary of War.

ESTIMATE—Of additional finds required for the service of the Ordname Burcau, for the pariod enting 3 th June, 1863.

Appropriation for the orluluc service in all its branches, (live millions of doll re.) \$5,000,000 00

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REMARKS —This addition d approach then will be needed to pay for ordnance and or mance a once parchard abroad, which are now arriving more freely than was anticipated when my last estimate was made, and will be rendered necessary by the additional force to be thrown into the field. Fifty thousand additional arms will be ordered at once; this item alone will amount to fully a million of dollars.

J. GORGAS, Colonel, Chief of Ordnance.



RICHMOND, VA., March 4, 1863.

To the Senate and House of Representatives :

I herewith transmit a communication from the Searctary of War, covering an estimate of additional funds required for the service of the ordnance bureau, for the period ending June 3), 1863.

I recommend an appropriat on of the amount for the purpose speci-

fied.

JEFFERSON DAVIS.

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