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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:

SIR: 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, 1863.

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant.

JAMES A. SEDDON,
Secretary of War.

ESTIMATE—Of additional funds required for the service of the Ordnance Bureau, for the period ending 30th June, 1863.

Appropriation for the ordnance service in all its
branches, (five millions of dollars) \$5,000,000 00

[Triplicates.]

REMARKS — This additional appropriation will be needed to pay for ordnance and ordnance stores purchased 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.

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WAR DEPARTMENT
MESSAGE OF THE PRESIDENT.

RICHMOND, VA., *March 4, 1863.*

To the Senate and House of Representatives :

I herewith transmit a communication from the Secretary of War, covering an estimate of additional funds required for the service of the ordnance bureau, for the period ending June 30, 1863.

I recommend an appropriation of the amount for the purpose specified.

JEFFERSON DAVIS.

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