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## THE SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY WASHINGTON

April 29, 1991

The Honorable J. Danforth Quayle President of the Senate United States Senate Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Mr. President:

I am pleased to transmit the April 1991 Report of the Secretary of the Treasury on Government-sponsored Enterprises. This Report has been prepared to meet the statutory requirements in section 1404 of the Financial Institutions Reform, Recovery, and Enforcement Act of 1989 (FIRREA) (Pub. L. No. 101-73) and in section 13501 of the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1990 (OBRA) (Pub. L. No. 101-508).

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The enclosed study, which is intended to meet the requirements of FIRREA and OBRA, presents principles that are essential to effective financial safety and soundness regulation. It also includes an analysis of the financial condition of the GSEs performed by the Standard & Poor's Corporation, and updates the findings in the 1990 Report regarding the impact of GSE activities on Treasury borrowing. We will submit proposed legislation shortly implementing the recommendations in this study to authorize Federal regulation of the financial safety and soundness of the GSEs.

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Sincerely,

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