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STATEMENT OF THE MANAGERS ON THE PART OF THE HOUSE

The managers on the part of the House at the conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses on the amendment of the House to the bill (S. 1310) relating to the National Museum of the Smithsonian Institution submit the following statement in explanation of the effect of the action agreed upon by the conferees and recommended in the accompanying conference report:

The House amendment strikes out all of the Senate bill after the enacting clause and inserts a substitute. The Senate recedes from its disagreement to the amendment of the House with an amendment which is a substitute for both the Senate bill and the House amendment. The difference between the House amendment and the substitute agreed to in conference is noted in the following outline, except for minor technical and clerical changes.

AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS

Subsection (b) of section 2 of the Senate bill authorizes not to exceed $200,000 per fiscal year to carry out this act.

The House amendment struck out subsection (b) of section 2 of the Senate bill, thus providing unlimited authority for appropriations to carry out this act.

The proposed conference substitute authorizes not to exceed the following sums to carry out this act: $200,000 for fiscal year 1968, $250,000 for fiscal year 1969, $250,000 for fiscal year 1970, and $300,000 for fiscal year 1971. These limitations would apply to the new activities to be undertaken by the Smithsonian Institution pursuant to the provisions of this act. The conferees did not authorize appropriations for fiscal years after 1971 since no projections of expenditures were available beyond that date, and the conferees believe that Congress should periodically reexamine this program. Thus, further authorizations will be necessary for fiscal years after fiscal year 1971 in order to carry out this act after that date.

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