

Trump To Add \$54 Billion In Military Spending, McCain & Democrats Balk

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President Trump proposed increasing the military's budget by \$54 billion, a 10% bump totaling \$603 billion. War hawks, led by Senator John McCain are demanding even more money. Democrats railed against the increase, because it cuts into domestic programs such as those carried out by the Environmental Protection Agency. Trump's plan would reduce foreign aid and would cut the State Department's budget up to 30%. – GEG

President Donald Trump is seeking what he called a "historic" increase in defense spending, but ran into immediate opposition from Republicans in Congress who must approve his plan and said it was not enough to meet the military's needs.

The proposed rise in the Pentagon budget to \$603 billion comes as the United States has wound down major wars in Iraq and Afghanistan and remains the world's strongest military power.

The plan came under fire from Democratic lawmakers, who said cuts being proposed to pay for the additional military spending would cripple important domestic programs such as environmental protection and education.

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