Ford asks military, economic aid for Vietnam

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Ford asked Congress Thursday night for nearly \$1 billion in emergency military and economic aid for South Vietnam and for clear authority to use U.S. military forces to evacuate Americans and endangered South Vietnamese, if

Members of Congress, however, reacted strongly against Ford's

military aid request.

Ford, in his "State of the World" address, did not renew his \$222 million aid request for Cambodia. Administration officials told

newsmen Cambodia probably would fall in the next few days and there was no point in asking for funds now

Ford called for Congress to provide without delay \$722 million in additional military hardware for Saigon and requested an initial \$250 million in economic and humanitarian assistance.

The humanitarian aid, he said, will "ease the misery and pain of the monumental human crisis which has befallen the people of Vietnam.

His request for additional military aid was greeted with absolute silence. A few long-time opponents of U.S. action in South Vietnam, such as Rep. Bella Abzug, D-N.Y., shook their heads in a disapproving

Ford's hour-long address was interrupted just 12 times for applause, mostly by Republicans and most of it in the last 10 minutes when the President warned against destruction of the nation's intelligencegathering system and called for a continued strong national defense.

Ford declared in his speech that federal laws should be revised to permit U.S. forces to help evacuate South Vietnamese.

Administration officials said up to 200,000 South Vietnamese might be pulled out along with 6,000 Ameri-

While indicating it may be too

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are candidates for the sophomore

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Copeland III, Bob Evans, Tyrus Schroeder and Allison King.

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Tuesday and Wednesday.

students.

Twelve undergraduate senators

late to rescue Cambodia from a Communist takeover, Ford said a stabilization of the military situation in South Vietnam "offers the best opportunity for a political solution.'

The \$972 million aid request for combined military and economic requests for South Vietnam more than triples the \$300 million Ford sought in January and which Con-

pared remarks, opened his address by saving:

"I stand before you after many agonizing hours and after many solemn prayers to the Almighty.

ited States and the cause of world stability require that we continue to give both military and humanitarian assistance to the South Viet-

At the same time, he said Congress should immediately clarify its restrictions on the use of U.S. military forces in Southeast Asia "for the limited purposes of protecting American lives by ensuring their evacuation, if this should become

never be used, but if it is needed there will be no time for congressional debate," he said.

Members of Congress, in early reaction to the address, said they doubted Ford's aid request would be approved.

Sen. John McClellan, D-Ark., chairman of the Senate Appropriations Committee, said further military assistance would only prolong

Sen. Harry F. Byrd Jr., Ind-Va., remarked, "I would say the odds are against Congress approving any military aid.

April 19 "because of the urgency of the situation.

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Joe M. Williams, Joanne Arnold,

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Ford administration special military aid appropriations of \$300 million for South Vietnam and \$222 million for Cambodia.

"Let us start afresh," the President said in outlining his Indochina program. "The options before us are few and time is short.

He said, however, that "it may be too late" to assist Cambodia, where rebel forces are currently pressing Phnom Penh, the capital

Ford quoted "a moving letter" from Saukham Khoy, the new acting president, who told him "the agony of the Khmer people cannot and must not go on much longer.'

Addressing North Vietnam, Ford called for an immediate halt to military operations and compliance with the 1973 Paris cease-fire agreements. He said the Soviet Union and China as well as all other members of the Paris conference were being urged to use their influence to halt the fighting in South Vietnam.

While appealing to Congress for partnership in foreign policy, Ford also traced the debacle in Cambodia in part to legislative restrictions. Because of them and "steady external support," he said the Communist insurgents have shown no interest in negotiation, compromise or a political solution.

He renewed the pledge he made on entering the White House last August to work cooperatively with Congress while asking the legislators "to keep America's word good throughout the world.'

The firm tone throughout his address, delivered to a joint session assembled in the House, belied advance billing that he would strike a conciliatory stance. Despite Ford's expression of

sympathy for the Cambodia government, he significantly made no new request himself for food and ammunition for the Cambodians.

Ford's speech reflected a grim asactivity in the area as of August sessment also expressed previously

1973, and has balked at giving the by Secretary of State Henry A. Kissinger.

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Congress barred all U.S. combat

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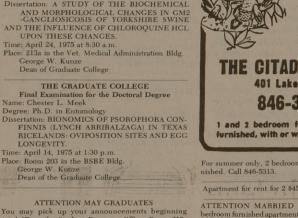
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