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Statement by Alan S. Boyd
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One fact that has been generally overlooked in discussion of the \$25 million grant for new commuter trains for the Chicago South Suburban Mass Transit District is that the final decision will be made by the new Administration.

The application for the funds was approved in December but the contract between the District and the Urban Mass Transportation Administration still has not been signed.

This gives the new Administration ample opportunity for a thorough review of the facts of the case, a review I have asked Secretary Volpe to make. I am confident they will reach the same conclusion that was reached by Administrator Sitton and his staff.

In the meantime, I am going to continue with my plans for a vacation. I have advised Secretary Volpe and members of the Congress of my itinerary and have told them I will make myself immediately available to them if they feel my presence is needed during their study.

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