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AAAS Statement on FY 2020 U.S. Federal Budget Omnibus Bills

“We applaud one area of consistent bipartisan agreement in Congress: the need for federal government funding of research and innovation. With the president’s signature of the fiscal year 2020 omnibus funding bills into law, Congress has again recognized that America’s research enterprise is a necessary investment for the public good and economic development. The bills will provide critical funding for scientific research and science agencies in the 2020 fiscal year. We are particularly encouraged to see bipartisan support for dedicated research funding on gun violence, which is needed in order to better understand both the scope of the problem and potential solutions to this devastating public health epidemic.”

— Alan I. Leshner, interim chief executive officer, American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS)

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