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WASHINGTON D.C. --- WEST VIRGINIA'S FOURTH DISTRICT CON-GRESSMAN NICK J. RAHALL, HAS ANNOUNCED THAT THE STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA WILL RECEIVE A TOTAL OF \$780,000 FOR FISCAL YEAR 1981, FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, TO PROVIDE TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES, JOB SEARCH, AND RELOCATION ALLOWANCES TO WORKERS ADVERSLY AF-FECTED BY FOREIGN IMPORTS.

CONGRESSMAN RAHALL WAS INFORMED OF THE ACTION BY SECRETARY OF LABOR RAY MARSHALL.

"THE FIRST ALLOTMENT," CONGRESSMAN RAHALL POINTED OUT,
"WILL BE \$195,000, FOR THIS MUCH-NEEDED PROGRAM, AND THE PAYMENTS
WILL COME ON A QUARTERLY BASIS."

CONGRESSMAN RAHALL EXPLAINED THAT, "THIS ASSISTANCE WILL BE PROVIDED TO WORKERS WHO HAVE BEEN CERTIFIED AS ELIGIBLE TO APPLY FOR ASSISTANCE UNDER THE TRADE ACT OF 1974."

"ALREADY A LARGE NUMBER OF COAL MINERS AND OTHER WORKERS IN SOUTHERN WEST VIRGINIA HAVE BEEN CERTIFIED," RAHALL SAID.

"THESE FUNDS WILL BE DISTRIBUTED AS A PART OF PRESIDENT CARTER'S ECONOMIC REVITALIZATION PACKAGE," RAHALL STATED.

NATIONWIDE, A TOTAL OF \$40 MILLION WILL BE ALLOCATED UNDER THIS PROGRAM.