

Federal budget proposes to eliminate Brand USA

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WASHINGTON – As President Trump aims to eliminate the deficit over the next decade while shifting funding to border security, one of the programs slated for elimination in his budget Tuesday is Brand USA, a federally funded organization that promotes the country overseas as a tourist destination.

Trump's budget, which is being delivered to Congress on Tuesday, would eliminate Brand USA and shift the revenue to Customs and Border Protection, according to summary budget documents released Monday. The proposal would raise the deficit \$510 million over the next three years, according to the summary.

Congress will spend months debating the proposals and may decide to change or ignore them. But Trump's budget sets out the administration's priorities before lawmakers decide where to actually spend money.

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