

concerns imports of certain cotton, wool, man-made fiber, silk blend and other vegetable fiber textiles and textile products, produced or manufactured in Taiwan and exported during the twelve-month period which began on January 1, 1997 and extends through December 31, 1997.

Effective on October 29, 1997, you are directed to adjust the limits for the following categories, as provided for under the terms of the current bilateral textile agreement concerning textile products from Taiwan:

| Category | Twelve-month limit ¹ |
|--------------------------|--|
| Sublevel in Group I | |
| 363 | 12,867,364 numbers. |
| Sublevels in Group II | |
| 239 | 5,826,685 kilograms. |
| 331 | 375,506 dozen pairs. |
| 336 | 120,893 dozen. |
| 347/348 | 1,498,065 dozen of which not more than 1,288,567 dozen shall be in Categories 347-W/348-W ² . |
| 352/652 | 3,177,334 dozen. |
| 435 | 24,816 dozen. |
| 442 | 44,539 dozen. |
| 444 | 78,686 numbers. |
| 631 | 5,308,574 dozen pairs. |
| 642 | 854,140 dozen. |
| 647/648 | 5,404,466 dozen of which not more than 5,141,289 dozen shall be in Categories 647-W/648-W ³ . |
| Within Group II Subgroup | |
| 342 | 212,224 dozen. |
| 350/650 | 143,399 dozen. |
| 351 | 343,539 dozen. |
| 636 | 399,406 dozen. |
| 651 | 507,947 dozen. |

¹ The limits have not been adjusted to account for any imports exported after December 31, 1996.

²Category 347-W: only HTS numbers 6203.19.1020, 6203.19.9020, 6203.22.3020, 6203.22.3030, 6203.42.4005, 6203.42.4010, 6203.42.4015, 6203.42.4025, 6203.42.4035, 6203.42.4045, 6203.42.4050, 6203.42.4060, 6203.49.8020, 6210.40.9033, 6211.20.1520, 6211.20.3810 and 6211.32.0040; Category 348-W: only HTS numbers 6204.12.0030, 6204.19.8030, 6204.22.3040, 6204.22.3050, 6204.29.4034, 6204.62.3000, 6204.62.4005, 6204.62.4010, 6204.62.4020, 6204.62.4030, 6204.62.4040, 6204.62.4050, 6204.62.4055, 6204.62.4065, 6204.69.6010, 6204.69.9010, 6210.50.9060, 6211.20.1550, 6211.20.6810, 6211.42.0030 and 6217.90.9050.

³Category 647-W: only HTS numbers 6203.23.0060, 6203.23.0070, 6203.29.2030, 6203.29.2035, 6203.43.2500, 6203.43.3500, 6203.43.4010, 6203.43.4020, 6203.43.4030, 6203.43.4040, 6203.49.1500, 6203.49.2015, 6203.49.2030, 6203.49.2045, 6203.49.2060, 6203.49.8030, 6210.40.5030, 6211.20.1525, 6211.20.3820 and 6211.33.0030; Category 648-W: only HTS numbers 6204.23.0040, 6204.23.0045, 6204.29.2020, 6204.29.2025, 6204.29.4038, 6204.63.2000, 6204.63.3000, 6204.63.3510, 6204.63.3530, 6204.63.3532, 6204.63.3540, 6204.69.2510, 6204.69.2530, 6204.69.2540, 6204.69.2560, 6204.69.6030, 6204.69.9030, 6210.50.5035, 6211.20.1555, 6211.20.6820, 6211.43.0040 and 6217.90.9060.

The Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements has determined that these actions fall within the foreign affairs exception to the rulemaking provisions of 5 U.S.C. 553(a)(1).

Sincerely,
Troy H. Cribb,
Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.
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CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSION

Sunshine Act Meeting

AGENCY: U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission, Washington, DC 20207.

TIME AND DATE: Thursday, October 30, 1997, 10:00 a.m.

LOCATION: Room 410, East West Towers, 4330 East West Highway, Bethesda, Maryland.

STATUS: Closed to the Public.

MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED:

Compliance Status Report

The staff will brief the Commission on the status of various compliance matters.

For a recorded message containing the latest agenda information, call (301) 504-0709.

CONTACT PERSON FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: Sadye E. Dunn, Office of the Secretary, 4330 East West Highway., Bethesda, MD 20207 (301) 504-0800.

Dated: October 22, 1997.

Sadye E. Dunn,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

[Transmittal No. 98-06]

36(b)(1) Arms Sales Notification

AGENCY: Department of Defense, Defense Security Assistance Agency.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of Defense is publishing the unclassified text of a section 36(b)(1) arms sales notification. This is published to fulfill the requirements of section 155 of Public Law 104-164 dated 21 July 1996.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. J. Hurd, DSAA/COMPT/RM, (703) 604-6575.

The following is a copy of a letter to the Speaker of the House of Representatives, Transmittal 98-06, with attached transmittal, policy justification, and Certification Under Section 620C(d) of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961.

Dated: October 20, 1997.

L.M. Bynum,
Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEFENSE SECURITY ASSISTANCE AGENCY

WASHINGTON, DC 20301-2800

10 OCT 1997

In reply refer to:
I- 55508/97

Honorable Newt Gingrich
Speaker of the House of
Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515-6501

Dear Mr. Speaker:

Pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act, we are forwarding herewith Transmittal No. 98-06 and under separate cover the classified annex thereto. This Transmittal concerns the Department of the Air Force's proposed Letter(s) of Offer and Acceptance (LOA) to Turkey for defense articles and services estimated to cost \$62 million. Soon after this letter is delivered to your office, we plan to notify the news media of the unclassified portion of this Transmittal.

You will also find attached a certification as required by Section 620C(d) of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, as amended, that this action is consistent with Section 620C(b) of that statute.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "H. Diehl McKalip".

H. Diehl McKalip
Acting Director

Same ltr to: House Committee on International Relations
Senate Committee on Appropriations
Senate Committee on Foreign Relations
House Committee on National Security
Senate Committee on Armed Services
House Committee on Appropriations

Attachments

Separate Cover:
Classified Annex

Transmittal No. 98-06

Notice of Proposed Issuance of Letter of Offer
Pursuant to Section 36(b)(1)
of the Arms Export Control Act

- (i) Prospective Purchaser: Turkey
- (ii) Total Estimated Value:
- | | |
|--------------------------|---------------|
| Major Defense Equipment* | \$ 56 million |
| Other | \$ 6 million |
| TOTAL | \$ 62 million |
- (iii) Description of Articles or Services Offered:
One hundred thirty-eight AIM-120B Advanced Medium Range Air-to-Air Missiles (AMRAAM), 120 LAU-129A/A launchers, containers, spare and repair parts, and other related elements of logistics and program support.
- (iv) Military Department: Air Force (YDV)
- (v) Sales Commission, Fee, etc., Paid, Offered, or Agreed to be Paid: None
- (vi) Sensitivity of Technology Contained in the Defense Article or Defense Services Proposed to be Sold:
See Annex under separate cover.
- (vii) Date Report Delivered to Congress:

* as defined in Section 47(6) of the Arms Export Control Act.

POLICY JUSTIFICATIONTurkey - AIM-120B Advanced Medium Range Air-to-Air Missiles

The Government of Turkey has requested a possible sale of 138 AIM-120B Advanced Medium Range Air-to-Air Missiles (AMRAAM), 120 LAU-129A/A launchers, containers, spare and repair parts, and other related elements of logistics and program support. The estimated cost is \$62 million.

This proposed sale will contribute to the foreign policy and national security objectives of the United States by improving the military capabilities of Turkey while enhancing weapon system standardization and interoperability.

Turkey needs these missiles to augment its current AMRAAM air-to-air missile inventory and enhance the air defense capability of its F-16 aircraft. Turkey will have no difficulty absorbing these additional missiles into its armed forces.

These air-to-air missiles will be provided to Turkey in accordance with, and subject to the limitation on use and transfer provided for under the Arms Export Control Act, as embodied in the terms of sale. This sale will not adversely affect either the military balance in the region or U.S. efforts to encourage a negotiated settlement of the Cyprus question.

The principal contractors will be the Hughes Aircraft International Service Company, Tucson, Arizona, and the Raytheon Company, Bedford, Massachusetts. There are no offset agreements proposed to be entered into in connection with this potential sale.

Implementation of this proposed sale will not require the assignment of any additional U.S. Government personnel or contractor representatives to Turkey.

There will be no adverse impact on U.S. defense readiness as a result of this proposed sale.

Certification Under Section 620C(d)
Of The Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, As Amended

Pursuant to section 620C(d) of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, as amended (the Act), Executive Order 12163 (sec. 1-201(a)(13)) and State Department Delegation of Authority No. 145, (sections 1(a)(1) and 4(d)), I hereby certify that the furnishing to Turkey of 139 AMRAAM missiles and program support at an estimated cost of \$62 million, is consistent with the principles contained in section 620C(b) of the Act.

This certification will be made part of the notification to the Congress under section 36(b) of the Arms Export Control Act regarding the proposed sale of the above-named articles and services, and is based on the justification accompanying said notification, of which said justification constitutes a full explanation.



Strobe Talbott
Acting Secretary