

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**Office of the Secretary****Submission of OMB Review; Comment Request**

ACTION: Notice.

The Department of Defense has submitted to OMB for clearance, the following proposal for collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35).

Title, Associated Form, and OMB Number: Commercial Airlift Review; AMC Form 207; OMB Number 0701-0137.

Type of Request: Revision.

Number of Respondents: 30.

Responses Per Respondent: 1.

Annual Responses: 30.

Average Burden Per Response: 20 hours.

Annual Burden Hours: 600.

Needs and Uses: The information collection requirement is necessary to assist the overall evaluation of commercial aircraft to provide quality, safe, and reliable aircraft service when procured by the Department of Defense. Respondents are commercial air carriers desiring to supply airlift services to the

Department of Defense. AMC Form 207 provides vital information from the carriers needed to determine their eligibility to participate in the DoD Air Transportation Program.

Affected Public: Business or Other For-Profit.

Frequency: On occasion.

Respondent's Obligation: Required to obtain or retain benefits.

OMB Desk Officer: Mr. Edward C. Springer.

Written comments and recommendations on the proposed information collection should be sent to Mr. Springer at the Office of Management and Budget, Desk Officer for DoD, Room 10236, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503.

DOD Clearance Officer: Mr. Robert Cushing.

Written requests for copies of the information collection proposal should be sent to Mr. Cushing, WHS/DIOR, 1215 Jefferson Davis Highway, Suite 1204, Arlington, VA 22202-4302.

Dated: October 29, 1997.

Patricia L. Toppings,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**Office of the Secretary**

[Transmittal No. 98-02]

36(b)(1) Arms Sales Notification

AGENCY: Defense Security Assistance Agency, DOD.

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 Pub. L. 104-164 dated July 21, 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 98-02, with attached transmittal, policy justification and sensitivity of technology pages.

Dated: October 29, 1997.

L.M. Bynum,

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Transmittal No. 98-02

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

- (i) Prospective Purchaser: Korea
- (ii) Total Estimated Value:
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| Major Defense Equipment* | \$ 35 million |
| Other | \$ <u>55 million</u> |
| TOTAL | \$ 90 million |
- (iii) Description of Articles or Services Offered:
One MK 41 Vertical Launch System, MK 41 Weapon Direction System, OT-134 transmitter, MK 13 MOD 0 canisters, shipboard checkout and operation of launch system hardware, U.S. Government and contractor engineering and logistics personnel services, personnel training and training equipment, support and test equipment, spare and repair parts, publications and technical documentation, launch system software development and maintenance and other related elements of logistics support.
- (iv) Military Department: Navy (LOP)
- (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 attached.
- (vii) Date Report Delivered to Congress: 20 OCT 1997

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

POLICY JUSTIFICATIONKorea - MK 41 Vertical Launch System

The Government of Korea has requested the possible sale of one MK 41 Vertical Launch System, MK 41 Weapon Direction System, OT-134 transmitter, MK 13 MOD 0 canisters, shipboard checkout and operation of launch system hardware, U.S. Government and contractor engineering and logistics personnel services, personnel training and training equipment, support and test equipment, spare and repair parts, publications and technical documentation, launch system software development and maintenance and other related elements of logistics support. The estimated cost is \$90 million.

This proposed sale will contribute to the foreign policy and national security of the United States by helping to improve the security of a friendly country which has been and continues to be an important force for political stability and economic progress in Northeast Asia.

The missile launcher system will be installed on a new construction frigate and is intended for use with STANDARD missiles as the principal air defense armament of these new vessels. Korea will have no difficulty absorbing this missile launch system into its armed forces. It is anticipated that Korea will purchase several additional launch systems.

The proposed sale of this shipboard missile launch system and support will not affect the basic military balance in the region.

The prime contractor will be Lockheed Martin Aero and Naval Systems, Baltimore, Maryland. One or more proposed offset agreements may be related to this proposed sale.

Implementation of this sale will not require the assignment of any contractor representatives in Korea; however, there will be three U.S. Government personnel for approximately 13 months during the preparation, equipment installations, and equipment test and checkout of the MK 41 Vertical Launch System on the ship.

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

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Annex
Item No. vi

(vi) Sensitivity of Technology:

1. The MK-41 Vertical Launch System (VLS) contains sensitive technology and is Unclassified. The launch control computer program, which also contains missile launch rates, is classified Confidential. Sections of the MK-41 technical documentation, which disclose launcher vulnerabilities, are classified Confidential.

2. If a technologically advanced adversary were to obtain knowledge of this system, it is possible that countermeasures could be developed to reduce its effectiveness.

3. A determination has been made that Korea can provide substantially the same degree of protection for the sensitive technology being released as the U.S. Government. This proposed sale is necessary in furtherance of the U.S. foreign policy and national security objectives outlined in the Policy Justification.