

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**Office of the Secretary**

[Transmittal No. 97-26]

**36(b)(1) Arms Sales Notification;
Republication**

Editorial Note: FR Doc. 97-28689 which was originally published in the issue of Thursday, October 30, 1997, at page 58710 is being republished in its entirety because of editorial errors.

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 P.L. 104-164 dated 21 July 1996.

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

The following is a copy of a letter to the Speaker of the House of Representatives, Transmittal 97-26, with attached transmittal, policy justification, and sensitivity of technology.

Dated: October 24, 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

24 JUL 1997

In reply refer to:
I-50410/97

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. 97-26, concerning the Department of the Navy's proposed Letter(s) of Offer and Acceptance (LOA) to the Taipei Economic and Cultural Representative Office in the United States for defense articles and services estimated to cost \$479 million. Soon after this letter is delivered to your office, we plan to notify the news media.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Thomas G. Rhame".

Thomas G. Rhame
Lieutenant General, USA
Director

Attachments 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

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

- (i) Prospective Purchaser: Taipei Economic and Cultural Representative Office in the United States (TECRO)
- (ii) Total Estimated Value:
- | | |
|--------------------------|----------------------|
| Major Defense Equipment* | \$341 million |
| Other | <u>\$138 million</u> |
| TOTAL | \$479 million |
- (iii) Description of Articles or Services Offered:
Twenty-one AH-1W Super Cobra helicopters, spare and repair parts, engineering technical assistance, support and test equipment, training, publications, contractor engineering technical and logistics support services, and other related elements of logistics support.
- (iv) Military Department: Navy (SCP, Amendment 6)
- (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: **24 JUL 1997**

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

POLICY JUSTIFICATIONTaipei Economic and Cultural Representative Office (TECRO) in the United States - AH-1W Super Cobra Helicopters

The Taipei Economic and Cultural Representative Office (TECRO) in the United States has requested the purchase of 21 AH-1W Super Cobra helicopters, spare and repair parts, engineering technical assistance, support and test equipment, training, publications, contractor engineering technical and logistics support services, and other related elements of logistics support. The estimated cost is \$479 million.

This sale is consistent with United States law and policy, as expressed in Public Law 96-8.

The recipient will use these helicopters primarily to conduct military exercises for purpose of self-defense and military preparedness. The recipient will have no difficulty absorbing these additional helicopters into its armed forces.

The sale of this equipment and support will not affect the basic military balance in the region.

The prime contractor will be the Bell Helicopter, Fort Worth, Texas. There are no offset agreements proposed to be entered into in connection with this potential sale.

Implementation of this sale will not require the assignment of any additional U.S. Government personnel or contractor representatives in-country.

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

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Annex
Item No. vi

(vi) Sensitivity of Technology:

1. The AH-1W Super Cobra Helicopter and associated systems, including operations manuals and maintenance publications, are unclassified. The following components are classified:

a. The AN/APR-44(V)1 radar warning system hardware is unclassified. After software (parametric threat data) is incorporated into the system, it is then classified Secret. Publications and personnel training related to this equipment are classified Confidential.

b. The AN/APR-39 Radar Signal Detecting Set is Confidential when it is loaded with classified threat warning parameters.

2. If a technologically advanced adversary were to obtain knowledge of the specific hardware in this sale, the information could be used to develop countermeasures which might reduce weapon system effectiveness or be used in the development of a system with similar or advanced capabilities.

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

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

National Defense Panel Meeting

AGENCY: DoD, National Defense Panel.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice sets forth the schedule and summary agenda for the meeting of the National Defense Panel on November 12, 1997. In accordance with Section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, Pub. L. No. 92-463, as amended [5 U.S.C. App. II, (1982)], it has been determined that this National Defense Panel meeting concerns matters listed in 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(1) (1982), and that accordingly this meeting will be closed to the public from 0900-1700, November 12, 1997 in order for the Panel to discuss classified material.

DATES: November 12, 1997.

ADDRESSES: Suite 532, 1931 Jefferson Davis Hwy., Arlington, VA.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The National Defense Panel was established on January 14, 1997 in accordance with the Military Force Structure Review Act of 1996, Pub. L. 104-201. The mission of the National Defense Panel is to provide the Secretary of Defense and Congress with an independent, non-partisan assessment of the Secretary's Quadrennial Defense Review and an Alternative Force Structure Analysis. This analysis will explore innovative ways to meet the national security challenges of the twenty-first century.

Proposed Schedule and Agenda

The National Defense Panel will meet in closed session from 0900-1700 on November 12. During the closed session on November 12th from 0900-1700 the Panel will discuss the NDP staff presentations on various future strategies, desired capabilities, and developing force elements at the Crystal Mall 3 office.

The determination to close the meeting is based on the consideration that it is expected that discussion will involve classified matters of national security concern throughout.

This notification also is written verification that the Panel was unable to provide notice of this meeting 15 days prior to the date of the meeting, due to the fact that this particular (additional) meeting wasn't added to the schedule by the Panel until 3 November.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Please contact the National Defense Panel at (703) 602-4175/6.

Dated: November 6, 1997.

L.M. Bynum,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary of Defense

Department of Defense Wage Committee; Notice of Closed Meetings

Pursuant to the provisions of section 10 of Public Law 92-463, the Federal Advisory Committee Act, notice is hereby given that closed meetings of the Department of Defense Wage Committee will be held on December 2, 1997; December 9, 1997; December 16, 1997; December 23, 1997; and December 30, 1997, at 10:00 a.m. in Room A105, The Nash Building, 1400 Key Boulevard, Rosslyn, Virginia.

Under the provisions of section 10(d) of Public Law 92-463, the Department of Defense has determined that the meetings meet the criteria to close meetings to the public because the matters to be considered are related to internal rules and practices of the Department of Defense and the detailed wage data to be considered were obtained from officials of private establishments with a guarantee that the data will be held in confidence.

However, members of the public who may wish to do so are invited to submit material in writing to the chairman concerning matters believed to be deserving of the Committee's attention.

Additional information concerning the meetings may be obtained by writing to the Chairman, Department of Defense Wage Committee, 4000 Defense Pentagon, Washington, DC 20301-4000.

Dated: November 6, 1997.

L.M. Bynum,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Air Force

Community College of the Air Force (CCAF) Board of Visitors Meeting

The Community College of the Air Force (CCAF) Board of Visitors will hold a meeting on December 17, 1997, at 8:00 a.m. on the first floor Conference Room, Community College of the Air Force, Building 836, 130 West Maxwell Air Force Base, Alabama. The meeting will be open to the public.

The purpose of the meeting is to review and discuss academic policies and issues relative to the operation of the CCAF. Agenda items include a review of the operations of the CCAF and an update on the activities of the CCAF Policy Council.

Members of the public who wish to make oral or written statements at the meeting should contact Major David Rogers, Designated Federal Officer for the Board, at the address below no later than 4:00 p.m. on December 8, 1997. Please mail or electronically mail all requests. Telephone requests will not be honored. The request should identify the name of the individual who will make the presentation and an outline of the issues to be addressed. At least 35 copies of the presentation materials must be given to Major David Rogers no later than the time of the meeting for distribution to the board and interested members of the public. Visual aids must be submitted to Major David Rogers on a 3½" computer disc in Microsoft PowerPoint format no later than 4:00 p.m. on December 8, 1997 to allow sufficient time for virus scanning and formatting of the slides.

For further information, contact Major David Rogers or Lieutenant Cornel Taite, (334) 953-7937, Community College of the Air Force, Maxwell Air Force Base, Alabama, 36112-6613, or through electronic mail at droggers@max1.au.af.mil or ctaite@max1.au.af.mil.

Barbara A. Carmichael,

Alternate Air Force Federal Register Liaison Officer.

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