

d. Hover Infrared Suppressor Subsystem (HIRSS) is a special function engine exhaust subsystem which replaces the standard engine and the standard engine exhaust subsystem modules. The HIRSS function is to suppress engine exhaust system infrared radiation by cooling visible surfaces. Exhaust gases are cooled by dilution. The HIRSS is comprised of two main component groups: (1) the composite firings group and (2) the sheet metal core group. The core group has four stages: (1) the first or inlet stage, (2) the second or mixing stage, (3) the third or diffusion stage, and (4) the fourth or exhaust stage. All four are sized so as to provide optimum cooling at minimum exhaust system back pressure (i.e., power loss and weight).

3. A determination has been made that Egypt 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

[Transmittal No. 99-24]

36(b)(1) Arms Sales Notification

AGENCY: Defense Security Cooperation Agency, Department of Defense.

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, DSCA/COMPT/RM, (703) 604-6575.

The following is a copy of a letter to the Speaker of the House of Representatives, Transmittal 99-24, with attached transmittal and policy justification.

Dated: July 22, 1999.

Patricia L. Toppings,
Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEFENSE SECURITY COOPERATION AGENCY

WASHINGTON, DC 20301-2800

19 JUL 1999
In reply refer to:
I-99/08326

Honorable J. Dennis Hastert
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. 99-24 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 Israel for defense articles and services estimated to cost \$18 million. Soon after this letter is delivered to your office, we plan to notify the news media of the unclassified portion of this Transmittal.

Sincerely,


A.R. KELTZ
ACTING DIRECTOR

Attachments

Separate Cover:
Classified Annex

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

Transmittal No. 99-24

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

- (i) **Prospective Purchaser:** Israel
- (ii) **Total Estimated Value:**

Major Defense Equipment*	\$ 17 million
Other	<u>\$ 1 million</u>
TOTAL	\$ 18 million
- (iii) **Description of Articles or Services Offered:** Forty-two AIM-120B Advanced Medium Range Air-to-Air Missiles (AMRAAM), missile containers, spare and repair parts, support and test equipment, maintenance and pilot training, software support, publications and technical documentation, U.S. Government and contractor technical assistance and other related elements of logistics and program support.
- (iv) **Military Department:** Air Force (YEO, Amd 2)
- (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:** 19 JUL 1999

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

POLICY JUSTIFICATION**Israel - AIM-120B Advanced Medium Range Air-to-Air Missiles**

The Government of Israel has requested a possible sale of 42 AIM-120B Advanced Medium Range Air-to-Air Missiles (AMRAAM), missile containers, spare and repair parts, support and test equipment, maintenance and pilot training, software support, publications and technical documentation, U.S. Government and contractor technical assistance and other related elements of logistics and program support. The estimated cost is \$18 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 the Middle East.

Israel needs these missiles to enhance the air-to-air self defense capability of its F-15 aircraft and provide for an increase in interoperability with U.S. forces. Israel will have no difficulty absorbing these additional missiles into its armed forces.

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

The prime contractor will be Raytheon Systems Company, Tucson, Arizona. Under this sale, the contractor will incur offset obligations under an existing industrial cooperation agreement.

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

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