Frequency: On occasion; Annually. Respondent's Obligation: Voluntary. 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 Office for DoD, Room 10236, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503.

*DoD Clearance Officer:* Mr. Robert Cushing.

Written request 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: November 16, 1999.

## Patricia L. Toppings,

Altenate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense. [FR Doc. 99– 30296 Filed 11–19–99; 8:45 am]

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#### **DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**

#### Office of the Secretary

[Transmittal No. 00-11]

## 36(b)(1) Arms Sales Notification

**AGENCY:** Department of Defense, Defense Security Cooperation 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, DSCA/COMPT/RM, (703) 604–6575.

The following is a copy of a letter to the Speaker of the House of Representatives, Transmittal 00–11 with attached transmittal, policy justification, and Sensitivity of Technology.

Dated: November 16, 1999.

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### DEFENSE SECURITY COOPERATION AGENCY

WASHINGTON. DC 20301-2800

5 NOV 1999 In reply refer to: 1-99/012727

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. 00-11, concerning the

Department of the Navy's proposed Letter(s) of Offer and Acceptance (LOA) to Egypt

for defense articles and services estimated to cost \$85 million. Soon after this letter is

delivered to your office, we plan to notify the news media.

Sincerely,

MICHAEL S. DAVISON, JR. 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

## Transmittal No. 00-11

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

- (i) <u>Prospective Purchaser</u>: Egypt
- (ii) Total Estimated Value:

Major Defense Equipment\* \$ 60 million
Other \$ 25 million
TOTAL \$ 85 million

- (iii) Description of Articles or Services Offered: Modification/upgrade of five AN/TPS-59(V)2 radar systems to the AN/TPS-59(V)3 configuration consisting of the procurement and installation of five AN/TPS-59(V)3E Theater Missile Defense Modified Shelters, five Array Modification Kits, and Command and Control Operation Shelter Interfaces with associated provisioning, spare and repair parts, publications, personnel training and training equipment, technical assistance, contractor technical and logistics personnel services and other related elements of program support.
- (iv) Military Department: Navy (LCT)
- (v) Sales Commission, Fee, etc., Paid, Offered, or Agreed to be Paid: none
- (vi) <u>Sensitivity of Technology Contained in the Defense Article or Defense Services</u> <u>Proposed to be Sold: See Annex attached</u>
- (vii) <u>Date Report Delivered to Congress</u>: 5 NOV 1999

<sup>\*</sup> as defined in Section 47(6) of the Arms Export Control Act.

## **POLICY JUSTIFICATION**

# Egypt - Modification/upgrade of AN/TPS-59(V)2 Radar Systems to the AN/TPS-59(V)3 Configuration

The Government of Egypt has requested a possible sale for the modification/upgrade of five AN/TPS-59(V)2 radar systems to the AN/TPS-59(V)3 configuration. The modification/upgrade consists of the procurement and installation of five AN/TPS-59(V)3E Theater Missile Defense Modified Shelters, five Array Modification Kits, and Command and Control Operation Shelter Interfaces with associated provisioning, spare and repair parts, publications, personnel training and training equipment, technical assistance, contractor technical and logistics personnel services and other related elements of program support. The estimated cost is \$85 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.

The proposed sale of radar will provide more responsive and timely information for air defense operations. The modification/upgrade of the AN/TPS-59 radar would significantly contribute to the modernization of its forces as well as its interoperability with U.S. forces. It would greatly simplify the projection of U.S. military forces during regional contingency operations by enhancing the deployment of 3D dimensional land based radar capabilities. This sale will not provide a new capability in the region since AN/TPS-59 or comparable radar systems are presently in the inventory of most of the countries in the region.

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

The prime contractor will be Lockheed Martin Corporation of Syracuse, New York. There are no offset agreements proposed in connection with this potential sale.

Implementation of this proposed sale will not require the assignment of any additional U.S. Government representatives in Egypt. However, there will be two U.S. contractor representatives for five years representing varying technical skills and training.

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

## Transmittal No. 00-11

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

## Annex Item No. vi

## (vi) Sensitivity of Technology:

- 1. The AN/TPS-59(V)3E radar system and all associated hardware and software is Unclassified. The AN/TPS-59 Electronic Counter-Counter Measures (ECCM) is critical technology, the ECCM is Unclassified. Threat and security concerns relative to the AN/TPS-59(V)3 are founded upon the system's operational employment and the location of anticipated deployment areas. There is insignificant anticipated consequence due to loss of this hardware technology to an advanced or competent adversary.
- 2. If a technologically advanced adversary were to obtain knowledge of the specific hardware and software elements, the information could be used to develop countermeasures or equivalent systems 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 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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