2007, 2008, and 2009 will begin at 3:30 p.m. and continue until 4:30 p.m.

# Thursday, May 25, 2006

The meeting will open at 8:30 a.m. with discussions regarding National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) [Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) and Environmental Assessment (EA)] and its impact on Council documents, e.g., FMPs, amendments, frameworks, specifications, and grants. Regulatory streamlining will also be addressed regarding the status of cooperative agreements amongst Regional Offices, Science Centers, and Councils, i.e., who "owns" which documents (or parts thereof), and how are they provided to respective units. Atlantic Coast Highly Migratory Species (HMS) management will be discussed at 11 a.m. The focus of this discussion will address how East Coast Councils can improve their contributions concerning Secretarial plans / amendments. Following lunch, an open discussion on any outstanding issues or items, future CCED meetings, and closing comments will begin at 1:30 p.m.

The above agenda items may not be taken in the order in which they appear

and are subject to change as necessary. Other items may be added and listed items may be deleted. The meeting may be closed to discuss internal administrative matters.

#### **Special Accommodations**

This meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to M. Jan Saunders (302–674–2331 extension 18) at least five days prior to the meeting date.

Dated: May 2, 2006.

## Tracey L. Thompson,

Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service. [FR Doc. E6–6841 Filed 5–4–06; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 3510–22–S

## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

[Transmittal No. 06-23]

## 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/DBO/ADM, (703) 604–6575.

The following is a copy of a letter to the Speaker of the House of Representatives, Transmittal 06–23 with attached transmittal, policy justification, Sensitivity of Technology, and section 620C(d).

Dated: May 1, 2006.

### L.M. Bynum,

OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense. BILLING CODE 5001–06–M



# DEFENSE SECURITY COOPERATION AGENCY

WASHINGTON, DC 20301-2800

28 APR 2006 In reply refer to: I-06/003161

The 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, as amended, we are forwarding herewith Transmittal No. 06-23, concerning the Department of the Navy's proposed competitive Letter(s) of Offer and Acceptance to Turkey for defense articles and services estimated to cost \$162 million. After this letter is delivered to your office, we plan to issue a press statement to notify the public of this proposed sale.

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(d) of that statute.

Sincerely,

Gubard & Millies

Richard J. Millies Deputy Director

**Enclosures:** 

- 1. Transmittal
- 2. Policy Justification
- 3. Sensitivity of Technology

# Same ltr to:

House

Committee on International Relations Committee on Armed Services Committee on Appropriations <u>Senate</u>

**Committee on Foreign Relations Committee on Armed Services Committee on Appropriations**  Transmittal No. 06-23

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

- (i) **Prospective Purchaser:** Turkey
- (ii) Total Estimated Value: Major Defense Equipment\*
   S115 million

   Other
   S 47 million

   TOTAL
   S162 million
- (iii) Description and Quantity or Quantities of Articles or Services under Consideration for Purchase: 50 AGM-84K Joint Standoff Land Attack Missiles-Expanded Response (SLAM-ER), 4 Captive Air Training Missiles/Dummy/Recoverable Air Test, 5 AWW-13 Advanced Weapon Data Link Pods, containers, 5 Joint Mission Planning Systems, software development/integration, test sets and support equipment, spare and repair parts, publications and technical data, maintenance, personnel training and training equipment, U.S. Government (USG) and contractor representatives, contractor engineering and technical support services, and other related elements of logistics support.
- (iv) Military Department: Navy (AIB)
- (v) Prior Related Cases, if any: none
- (vi) Sales Commission, Fee, etc., Paid, Offered, or Agreed to be Paid: none
- (vii) <u>Sensitivity of Technology Contained in the Defense Article or Defense Services</u> <u>Proposed to be Sold</u>: See Annex attached
- (viii) Date Report Delivered to Congress: 28 APR 2006
- \* as defined in Section 47(6) of the Arms Export Control Act.

# POLICY JUSTIFICATION (U)

# Turkey - AGM-84K Joint Land Attack Missiles-Expanded Response

The Government of Turkey has requested a possible sale of 50 AGM-84K Joint Standoff Land Attack Missiles-Expanded Response (SLAM-ER), 4 Captive Air Training Missiles/Dummy/Recoverable Air Test, 5 AWW-13 Advanced Weapon Data Link Pods, containers, 5 Joint Mission Planning Systems, software development/integration, test sets and support equipment, spare and repair parts, publications and technical data, maintenance, personnel training and training equipment, U.S. Government (USG) and contractor representatives, contractor engineering and technical support services, and other related elements of logistics support. The estimated cost is \$162 million.

The Government of Turkey is a political and economic power in Europe and the Middle East, and a partner of the United States in ensuring peace and stability in those regions. It is vital to the U.S. national interest to assist our Turkish ally in developing and maintaining a strong and ready self-defense capability that will contribute to an acceptable military balance in the area. This proposed sale is consistent with those objectives.

Turkey will use the SLAM-ER as a standoff weapon on its F-16 aircraft. The Turkish Air Force (TAF) is highly advanced in aerospace technology and has the capability and skill to fully integrate, operate, and maintain this weapon system. The proposed quantity is adequate to meet the needs of the TAF for NATO and coalition operations. The missiles will be provided in accordance with, and subject to the limitation on use and transfer provided under the Arms Export Control Act, as amended, and as embodied in the Letter of Offer and Acceptance.

This proposed 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 prime contractor will be Boeing Company of St. Louis, Missouri. Although generally the purchaser requires offsets, at this time, there are no known offset agreements proposed in connection with this potential sale.

Implementation of this proposed sale will require assignment of U.S. Government and contractor representatives to Turkey on a temporary basis for program technical/management oversight and support.

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

# Transmittal No. 06-23

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

Annex Item No. vii

(vii) Sensitivity of Technology:

1. The Standoff Land Attack Missile/Expanded Response (SLAM-ER) is an air-launched, day/night, adverse weather, over-the-horizon, precision strike missile. SLAM-ER provides an effective, long range, precision strike option for both pre-planned and Target-of-Opportunity attack missions against land and maneuvering ship targets, and other moving targets. SLAM-ER contains a highly accurate, GPS-aided guidance system; an imaging infrared seeker and two-way data link with the AWW-13 Advanced Data Link pod for Man-In-The-Loop (MITL) control; improved missile aerodynamic performance characteristics that allow both long range and flexible terminal attack profiles; and an ordnance section with good penetrating power and lethality. Advanced features on SLAM-ER include Automatic Target Acquisition (ATA). This function improves target acquisition in cluttered scenes, overcomes most IR countermeasures, and mitigates the effects of environmentally degraded conditions. The SLAM-ER is classified Confidential, individual components (guidance, seeker, radome, warhead, and other components) are all classified Confidential; technical data and other documentation are classified up to Secret.

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.

# CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO § 620C(d) OF THE FOREIGN ASSISTANCE ACT OF 1961, AS AMENDED

Pursuant to § 620C(d) of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, as amended (the Act), Executive Order 12163 and State Department Delegation of Authority No. 145, I hereby certify that the sale of defense articles and defense services, to include 50 AGM-84K Joint Standoff Land Attack Missiles-Expanded Response (SLAM-ER), 4 Captive Air Training Missiles/Dummy/Recoverable Air Test, 5 AWW-13 Advanced Weapon Data Link Pods, containers, 5 Joint Mission Planning Systems, software development/integration, test sets and support equipment, spare and repair parts, publications and technical data, maintenance, personnel training and training equipment, U.S. Government (USG) and contractor representatives, contractor engineering and technical support services, and other related elements of logistics support, to the Government of Turkey is consistent with the principles set forth in § 620C(b) of the Act.

This certification will be made part of the notification to Congress in accordance with § 36(b) of the Arms Export Control Act, as amended, 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.

Robert Joseph Under Secretary of State for Arms Control and International Security

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# **DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**

# GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

## NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION

[OMB Control No. 9000-0145]

# Federal Acquisition Regulation; Submission for OMB Review; Use of Data Universal Numbering System (DUNS) as Primary Contractor Identification

**AGENCIES:** Department of Defense (DOD), General Services Administration (GSA), and National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA).

**ACTION:** Notice of request for public comments regarding an extension to an existing OMB clearance (9000–0145).

**SUMMARY:** Under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35), the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) Secretariat has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) a request to review and approve an extension of a currently approved information collection requirement concerning use of data universal numbering system (DUNS) as primary contractor identification. The Data Universal Numbering System (DUNS) number is the nine-digit identification number assigned by Dun and Bradstreet Information Services to an establishment. A request for public comments was published in the **Federal Register** at 70 FR 75453 on December 20, 2005.

Public comments are particularly invited on: Whether this collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of functions of the FAR, and whether it will have practical utility; whether our estimate of the public burden of this collection of information is accurate, and based on valid assumptions and methodology; ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and ways in which we can minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, through the use of appropriate