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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary [Transmittal No. 06–51]

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/CFM, (703) 604–6575.

The following is a copy of a letter to the Speaker of the House of Representatives, Transmittal 06–51 with attached transmittal, policy justification and Sensitivity of Technology.

Dated: October 3, 2006.

C.R. Choate,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEFENSE SECURITY COOPERATION AGENCY

WASHINGTON, DC 20301-2800

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The Honorable J. Dennis Hastert Speaker of the House of Representatives Washington, DC 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. 06-51, concerning the Department of the Army's proposed Letter(s) of Offer and Acceptance to Jordan for defense articles and services estimated to cost \$60 million. After this letter is delivered to your office, we plan to issue a press statement to notify the public of this proposed sale.

Sincerely,

Richard J. Millies Deputy Director

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Enclosures:

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

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House
Committee on International Relations
Committee on Armed Services
Committee on Appropriations

Senate

Committee on Foreign Relations Committee on Armed Services Committee on Appropriations

Transmittal No. 06-51

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: Jordan
- (ii) Total Estimated Value:

Major Defense Equipment* \$50 million
Other \$10 million
TOTAL \$60 million

- (iii) Description and Quantity or Quantities of Articles or Services under Consideration for Purchase: two UH-60L VIP BLACK HAWK helicopters with engines, spare and repair parts, publications and technical data, support equipment, personnel training and training equipment, contractor engineering, logistics, and technical support services, a quality assurance team's services, aircraft survivability equipment, tools and test equipment, and other related elements of logistics support.
- (iv) Military Department: Army (WAT Amendment 1)
- (v) Prior Related Cases, if any: FMS Case VZR \$179 million 23Nov03
- (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</u> <u>Services Proposed to be Sold:</u> See Annex attached
- (viii) Date Report Delivered to Congress: 2 8 SEP 2006

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

POLICY JUSTIFICATION

Jordan - UH-60L VIP BLACK HAWK HELICOPTERS

The Government of Jordan has requested a possible sale of two UH-60L VIP BLACK HAWK helicopters with engines, spare and repair parts, publications and technical data, support equipment, personnel training and training equipment, contractor engineering, logistics, and technical support services, a quality assurance team's services, aircraft survivability equipment, tools and test equipment, and other related elements of logistics support. The estimated cost is \$60 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 that has been and continues to be an important force for political stability and economic progress in the Middle East.

The aircraft will provide Jordan's King Abdullah II additional security while flying throughout the Kingdom and while training with the Special Operation Aviation Brigade. The additional aircraft will provide the Jordanian Royal Squadron a back up aircraft if the primary is in maintenance or becomes inoperative. Jordan will use these helicopters for intra-country transportation requirements, including the movement of its National Command Authority. Jordan, which already has BLACK HAWK helicopters in its inventory, will have no difficulty absorbing the additional helicopters.

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

The principal contractors will be: Sikorsky Aircraft Corporation of Stratford, Connecticut and General Electric of Fairfield, Connecticut. There are no known offset agreements proposed in connection with this potential sale.

Implementation of this proposed sale will require the assignment of one Contractor Field Service representative and up to six U.S. Government Quality Assurance representatives to Jordan for two years to assist in the delivery and deployment of the helicopters.

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. vii

(vii) Sensitivity of Technology:

- 1. The UH-60L BLACK HAWK helicopters contain communications and identification equipment, navigation equipment, aircraft survivability equipment, displays and sensors. The airframe itself does not contain sensitive technology. The highest levels of classified information require to be released for training, operation and maintenance of the BLACK HAWK helicopters is Unclassified. The highest level that could be revealed through reverse engineering or testing of the end item is Secret.
- 2. The UH-60L BLACK HAWK Helicopters will include the following pertinent equipment listed below, either installed on the aircraft or included in the proposed sale:
- a. The AN/APR-39B(V)2 Radar Signal Detecting Set is a system which provides warning of a radar directed air defense threat to allow appropriate countermeasures. Hardware is classified Confidential when programmed with United States threat data; releasable technical manuals for operation and maintenance are classified Confidential; releasable technical data (technical performance) is classified Secret. The system can be programmed with threat data provided by the purchasing country.
- b. The AN/ALQ-144A(V)5 Infrared (IR) Jammer is an active, continuous operating, omni-directional, electrically fired IR jammer system designed to confuse or decoy IR missile threats, in conjunction with low reflective paint and engine suppressors. Hardware is classified Confidential and releasable technical manuals for operation and maintenance are classified Secret. Reverse engineering and development of countermeasures are concerns if the hardware and releasable technical data are compromised by a competent adversary.
- c. The M130 Flare and Chaff Dispenser. The Dispenser components and Payload Module components dispense decoy objects to confuse threat radar devices. Radar cross-section and frequency coverage are sensitive elements. Hardware and the releasable technical publications for operation and maintenance are Unclassified. Aircraft optimization is the critical element; reverse engineering is not a major

concern. Additional components are the Control Panel and the Electronics Module that have been integrated in the Weapons Management and Control software.

- d. The AN/ALE-47 Countermeasures Dispenser System provides an integrated, reprogrammable, computer controlled system to dispense expendables/decoys to enhance aircraft survivability. The system is designed to employ electronic and infrared countermeasures according to a program developed and implemented by the aircrew. The hardware is Unclassified. Releasable technical manuals for operation and maintenance are classified Secret. Reverse engineering and development of countermeasures are concerns if the hardware and releasable technical data are compromised by a competent adversary.
- e. The Hover Infrared Suppression System (HIRSS) and Improved HIRSS and Forward Looking Infrared (FLIR) systems are Unclassified. The FLIR is optional.
- f. The 200 Gallon Internal Auxiliary Fuel Tank Kits provide extra range fuel capabilities and allow the helicopter to transport and dispense aviation fuel to aircraft or tactical vehicles at forward landing zones. The tank kits allows for rapid mission changes and are Unclassified. The tank kits are optional.
- 2. If a technologically advanced adversary were to obtain knowledge of the specific hardware or software in this proposed 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 advance capabilities.

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