(iii) Description and Quantity or Quantities of Articles or Services under Consideration for Purchase: Follow on support and services for the Royal Saudi Air Force (RSAF) aircraft, engines and weapons; publications and technical documentation; airlift and aerial refueling; support equipment; spare and repair parts; repair and return; personnel training and training equipment; U.S. Government and contractor technical and logistics support services; and other related elements of logistical and program support.

(iv) *Military Department:* Air Force (CCZ, Amd #7).

(v) Prior Related Cases, if any: FMS case CCZ—\$48.4M—12Aug02 FMS case GAG—\$38.0M—4Apr10 FMS case KCZ—\$95.4M—27Feb07 FMS case KDB—\$120.0M—15Feb10 FMS case QAY—\$147.4M—5Jun10 FMS case QBI—\$250.0M—16Jun10 FMS case QDE—\$202.4M—15Mar06 FMS case QZQ—\$54.3M—5May04 FMS case QZX—\$62.4M—24Dec03

(vi) Sales Commission, Fee, etc., Paid, Offered, or Agreed to be Paid: None.

(vii) Sensitivity of Technology Contained in the Defense Article or Defense Services Proposed to be Sold:

None. (viii) Date Report Delivered to Congress: 6 August 2012.

POLICY JUSTIFICATION

Kingdom of Saudi Arabia—Follow-On Support

The Kingdom of Saudi Arabia has requested a possible sale of follow-on

support and services for the Royal Saudi Air Force aircraft, engines and weapons; publications and technical documentation; airlift and aerial refueling; support equipment; spare and repair parts; repair and return; personnel training and training equipment; U.S. Government and contractor technical and logistics support services; and other related elements of logistical and program support. The estimated cost is \$850 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.

Saudi Arabia needs this follow on support to continue to procure maintenance and logistical support in order to sustain the combat and operational readiness of its existing aircraft fleet.

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

There is no prime contractor involved in this proposed sale. There are no known offset agreements proposed 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 to Saudi Arabia. There will be no adverse impact on U.S. defense readiness as a result of this sale. [FR Doc. 2012–21589 Filed 8–30–12; 8:45 am]

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

[Transmittal Nos. 12–34]

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 July 21, 1996.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. B. English, DSCA/DBO/CFM, (703) 601–3740.

The following is a copy of a letter to the Speaker of the House of Representatives, Transmittals 12–34 with attached transmittal, policy justification and sensitivity of technology.

Dated: August 28, 2012.

Aaron Siegel,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense. BILLING CODE 5001-06-P



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The Honorable John A. Boehner Speaker of the House U.S. House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515

AUG 07 2012

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. 12-34, concerning the Department of the Navy's proposed Letter(s) of Offer and Acceptance to Thailand for defense articles and services estimated to cost \$18 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, a. Genaille f.

Richard A. Genaille, Jr. Deputy Director

Enclosures:

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

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Transmittal No. 12–34

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

(i) Prospective Purchaser: Thailand

(ii) Total Estimated Value:

Major Defense Equipment*

Total (millions) 18 * as defined in Section 47(6) of the Arms Export Control Act.

(iii) Description and Quantity or Quantities of Articles or Services under Consideration for Purchase: Nine Evolved SEASPARROW Missiles (ESSM); three MK25 Quad Pack canisters; and four MK783 shipping containers; spare and repair parts; support and test equipment; publications and technical documentation; personnel training and training equipment; U.S. Government and contractor engineering; technical and logistics support services; and technical assistance; and other related elements of logistical and program support.

(iv) Military Department: Navy (AKL)

(v) Prior Related Cases, if any: None
(vi) Sales Commission, Fee, etc., Paid, Offered, or Agreed to be Paid: None

(vii) Sensitivity of Technology Contained in the Defense Article or Defense Services Proposed to be Sold: See Attached Annex

(viii) *Date Report Delivered to Congress:* 7 August 2012.

POLICY JUSTIFICATION

Thailand—Evolved SEASPARROW Missiles (ESSM),

The Government of Thailand has requested a possible sale of nine **Evolved SEASPARROW Missiles** (ESSM); three MK25 Quad Pack canisters; and four MK783 shipping containers; spare and repair parts; support and test equipment; publications and technical documentation; personnel training and training equipment; U.S. Government and contractor engineering; technical and logistics support services; and technical assistance and other related elements of logistical 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 increasing the ability of Thailand to contribute to regional security and improving interoperability with the U.S. Military in operational and exercise scenarios. It is consistent with U.S. national interests to assist Thailand in developing and maintaining a strong and ready ship self-defense capability which will contribute to the military balance in the area.

ESSM provides ship self-defense capability. The proposed sale will add to Thailand's capability to meet current and future threats from anti-ship weapons. The proposed FMS case includes support equipment, training and technical assistance required for the RTN to effectively incorporate the ESSM into its fleet. With this support, the RTN will have no difficulty absorbing the ESSM into its frigates and being fully operational.

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

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

The prime contractors will be Raytheon Missile Systems in Tucson, Arizona and BAE Systems in Aberdeen, South Dakota.

There are no known offset agreements proposed in connection with this potential sale.

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

Transmittal No. 12–34

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 Evolved SEASPARROW missile (ESSM) includes the guidance section, warhead section, transition section, propulsion section, control section and Thrust Vector Control (TVC). The guidance section and transition section and technical documentation to be provided under this sale are classified Confidential. Certain operating frequencies and performance characteristics of the missile guidance section are classified Secret.

2. If a technologically advanced adversary were to obtain knowledge of

the specific hardware and software elements, primarily performance characteristics, engagement algorithms and transmitter specific frequencies, the information could be used to develop countermeasures that might reduce weapon system effectiveness.

3. Release of this technology is within the disclosure authority delegated for Thailand as stipulated in the National Disclosure Policy (NDP–1).

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

[Transmittal Nos. 12-22]

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 July 21, 1996.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. B. English, DSCA/DBO/CFM, (703) 601–3740.

The following is a copy of a letter to the Speaker of the House of Representatives, Transmittals 12–22 with attached transmittal, and policy justification.

Dated: August 27, 2012.

Aaron Siegel,

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