

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

**POLICY JUSTIFICATION**

*(U) Kingdom of Saudi Arabia (KSA)—Ammunition for the Royal Saudi Land Forces (RSLF)*

(U) The Kingdom of Saudi Arabia has requested a possible sale of (1,000,000) 430/M430A1 40mm High Explosive Dual Purpose (HEDP) Cartridges, (60,000) M456A1 105mm High Explosive Anti-Tank Tracer (HEAT-T) Cartridges, and (60,000) M107 155mm High Explosive (HE) Projectiles. Additional items included are M62 7.62mm 4 Ball/1 Tracer Linked Cartridges, .50 Cal Linked Cartridges (4 Armor Piercing Incendiary (API)/1 Armor Piercing Incendiary Tracer (API-T)), M792 25mm High Explosive Incendiary Tracer (HEI-T) Cartridges, M789 30mm High Explosive Dual Purpose (HEDP) Cartridges, M889A2 81mm High Explosive (HE) Cartridges with M783 Fuzes, 2.75 Inch Rockets with M151 High Explosive (HE) Warhead and Point-Detonating (PD) Fuzes, 105mm High Explosive (HE) M1 Cartridges without Fuzes, M557 Point-Detonating (PD) Fuzes, M4A2 155mm Propellant Charges, M3A1 155mm Propellant Charges, M82 Percussion Primers, M1A2 Bangalore Torpedoes, M18A/M18A1 Claymore Mines, M67 Fragmentation Hand Grenades, and Guided Precision Aerial Delivery System (GPADS). Also included are spare and repair parts, lot validation, publications and technical documentation, personnel training/

training equipment, Quality Assurance Team, U.S. Government and contractor technical/logistics support services, and other related elements of logistics and program support. The estimated total cost is \$500 million.

(U) This proposed sale will enhance the foreign policy and national security objectives of the United States by helping to improve the security of a strategic partner which has been, and continues to be, an important force for political stability and economic progress in the Middle East.

(U) The proposed sale will resupply the RSLF with the munitions they need to continue to protect their country's southern border from ongoing attacks by hostile Houthi militia and Al-Qaida in the Arabian Peninsula forces. The KSA will have no difficulty absorbing these items into its inventory.

(U) The proposed sale of this ammunition will not alter the basic military balance in the region.

(U) The principal contractor for GPADS will be Airborne Systems North America in Pennsauken, New Jersey. The remaining items will be procured from a combination of Army stocks and new procurement. The principal contractors for these items are unknown at this time. There are no known offset agreements proposed in connection with this potential sale.

(U) Implementation of this sale will not require the assignment of any additional U.S. Government or contractor representatives to Saudi Arabia. However, travel may be required for new equipment set up, training, and

technical support. The number and duration will be determined during contract negotiations.

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

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**DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**

**Office of the Secretary**

**[Transmittal No. 15-30]**

**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:**

Sarah A. Ragan or Heather N. Harwell, DSCA/LMO, (703) 604-1546/(703) 607-5339.

The following is a copy of a letter to the Speaker of the House of Representatives, Transmittal 15-30 with attached Policy Justification.

Dated: August 11, 2015.

**Aaron Siegel,**

*Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.*

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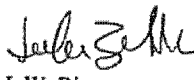
Honorable John A. Boehner  
Speaker of the House  
U.S. House of Representatives  
Washington, DC 20515

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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. 15-30, concerning the Department of the Air Force's proposed Letter(s) of Offer and Acceptance to Bahrain for defense articles and services estimated to cost \$150 million. After this letter is delivered to your office, we plan to issue a news release to notify the public of this proposed sale.

Sincerely,

  
J. W. Rixey  
Vice Admiral, USN  
Director

Enclosures:

1. Transmittal
2. Policy Justification
3. Regional Balance (Classified Document Provided Under Separate Cover)



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Transmittal No. 15-30

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:* Government of Bahrain

(ii) *Total Estimated Value:*

Major Defense Equipment *	\$ 0 million
Other .....	\$ 150 million
<b>TOTAL .....</b>	<b>\$ 150 million</b>

(iii) *Description and Quantity or Quantities of Articles or Services under Consideration for Purchase:* a proposed sale for follow on support for Bahrain's existing F-16 fleet. Support will include support equipment, communications equipment, ammunition, personal training and training equipment, spare and repair parts, publications and technical documentation, Electronic Combat International Security Assistance Program, U.S. Government and contractor technical, logistics, and engineering support services, and other

related elements of logistics and program support.

(iv) *Military Department:* Air Force (QAT, Amendment 18)

(v) *Prior Related Cases, if any:*  
FMS case QAT-\$153M-11Feb00  
FMS case SGA-\$301M-21Apr87  
FMS case SGC-\$193M-20Feb98

(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*: 4 August 2015

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#### **POLICY JUSTIFICATION**

##### **Bahrain—F-16 Follow-On Support**

The Government of Bahrain has requested a possible sale of follow on support for Bahrain's existing F-16 fleet. Support will include support equipment, communications equipment, ammunition, personal training and training equipment, spare and repair parts, publications and technical documentation, Electronic Combat International Security Assistance Program, U.S. Government and contractor technical, logistics, and engineering support services, and other related elements of logistics and program support. The estimated cost is \$150 million.

The proposed sale will contribute to the foreign policy and national security of the United States by helping improve the security of a Major Non-NATO Ally, which has been and continues to be a key security partner in the region.

The follow-on support is required to maintain the operational readiness of the Royal Bahrain Air Force's (RBAF) F-16 fleet. The RBAF's F-16s are aging and periodic maintenance is becoming increasingly expensive. The age of the fleet, combined with an increased operational tempo due to recent involvement in Operation Inherent Resolve has led to increased focus on maintenance and sustainment. Bahrain will have no difficulty absorbing this additional support into its armed forces.

The principal contractor is unknown at this time. Contracts will be awarded when source of supply determines that defense articles and services are not available from stock or considered lead-time away. There are no known offset agreements proposed in connection with this potential sale.

Implementation of this proposed sale will not require the assignment of any additional U.S. or contractor representatives in Bahrain.

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

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## **DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**

### **Office of the Secretary**

#### **Department of Defense Military Family Readiness Council; Notice of Federal Advisory Committee Meeting**

**AGENCY:** Department of Defense.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Defense is publishing this notice to announce a Federal advisory committee meeting of the Department of Defense Military Family Readiness Council. This meeting will be open to the public.

**DATES:** Thursday, September 17, 2015, from 1:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** Pentagon Conference Center B6 (escorts will be provided from the Pentagon Metro entrance).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ms. Melody McDonald or Ms. Yuko Whitestone, Office of the Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense (Military Community & Family Policy), 4800 Mark Center Drive, Alexandria, VA 22350-2300, Room 3G15. Telephones (571) 372-0880; (571) 372-0881 and/or email: OSD Pentagon OUSD P-R Mailbox Family Readiness Council: [osd.pentagon.ousd-p-r.mbx.family-readiness-council@mail.mil](mailto:osd.pentagon.ousd-p-r.mbx.family-readiness-council@mail.mil)

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This meeting is being held under the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972 (5 U.S.C. Appendix, as amended), the Government in the Sunshine Act of 1976 (5 U.S.C. 552b, as amended), and 41 CFR 102-3.150. The purpose of the Council meeting is to review and make recommendations to the Secretary of Defense regarding policy and plans; monitor requirements for the support of military family readiness by the Department of Defense; evaluate and assess the effectiveness of the military family readiness programs and activities of the Department of Defense.

Pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552b and 41 CFR 102-3.140 through 102-3.165, this meeting is open to the public, subject to the availability of space. Persons desiring to attend may contact Ms. Melody McDonald at 571-372-0880 or email OSD Pentagon OUSD P-R Mailbox Family Readiness Council, [osd.pentagon.ousd-p-r.mbx.family-readiness-council@mail.mil](mailto:osd.pentagon.ousd-p-r.mbx.family-readiness-council@mail.mil), no later than 5:00 p.m., on Friday, September 11, 2015 to arrange for escort inside the Pentagon to the Conference Room area.

Pursuant to 41 CFR 102-3.105(j) and 102-3.140, and section 10(a)(3) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972, interested persons may submit a written statement for consideration by

the Council. Persons desiring to submit a written statement to the Council must notify the point of contact listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section no later than 5:00 p.m., on Thursday, September 3, 2015.

The purpose of this meeting is to continue discussion of Military Family Readiness Council focus items for 2015.

#### **Thursday, September 17, 2015 Meeting Agenda**

Welcome & Administrative Remarks  
Review of 2014 Council Business  
Discussion of 2015 Military Family Readiness Issues  
Member Discussion and Deliberation on Council Recommendations  
Closing Remarks

**Note:** Exact order may vary.

Dated: August 11, 2015.

**Aaron Siegel,**

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## **DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**

### **Office of the Secretary**

#### **Strategic Environmental Research and Development Program, Scientific Advisory Board; Notice of Federal Advisory Committee Meeting**

**AGENCY:** Department of Defense.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Defense is publishing this notice to announce an open meeting of the Strategic Environmental Research and Development Program, Scientific Advisory Board (SAB). This meeting will be open to the public.

**DATES:** Wednesday, September 9, 2015, from 8 a.m. to 4:55 p.m. and Thursday, September 10, 2015, from 9 a.m. to 4:55 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** 901 N. Stuart Street, Suite 200, Arlington, VA 22203.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Dr. Anne Andrews, SERDP Office, 4800 Mark Center Drive, Suite 17D08, Alexandria, VA 22350-3605; or by telephone at (571) 372-6565.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This meeting is being held under the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972 (5 U.S.C. Appendix, as amended), the Government in the Sunshine Act of 1976 (5 U.S.C. 552b, as amended), and 41 CFR 102-3.150. This notice is published in accordance with Section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory