

Transmittal No. 16–19

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 Australia

(ii) *Total Estimated Value:*

Major Defense Equipment * ..	\$1.08 billion
Other .....	\$ .14 billion
Total .....	\$1.22 billion

(iii) *Description and Quantity or Quantities of Articles or Services Under Consideration for Purchase:*

*Major Defense Equipment (MDE):*

Up to 450 Advanced Medium-Range Air-to-Air Missiles (AIM–120D)  
Up to 34 AIM–120D Air Vehicles Instrumented (AAVI)  
Up to 6 Instrumented Test Vehicles (ITVs)  
Up to 10 spare AIM–120 Guidance Sections (GSs)

*Non-MDE:*

This request also includes the following Non-MDE: Containers, weapon system support equipment, support and test equipment, site survey, transportation, repair and return warranties, spare and repair parts, publications and technical data, maintenance, personnel training, and training equipment, U.S. Government and contractor representative engineering, logistics, and technical support services, and other related elements of logistics support.

(iv) *Military Department:* Air Force (YLD)

(v) *Prior Related Cases, if any:* AT–D–YKX–01 DEC 98, AT–D–YLB–06 OCT–11 AT–D–YLC–25 FEB–15

(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 Annex attached

(viii) *Date Report Delivered to Congress:* 21 April 2016

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

#### **POLICY JUSTIFICATION**

*Australia—AIM–120D Advanced Medium-Range Air-to-Air Missiles:*

The Government of Australia requested a possible sale of:

*Major Defense Equipment (MDE):*

Up to 450 Advanced Medium-Range Air-to-Air Missiles (AIM–120D)  
Up to 34 AIM–120D Air Vehicles Instrumented (AAVI)  
Up to 6 Instrumented Test Vehicles (ITVs)  
Up to 10 spare AIM–120 Guidance Sections (GSs)

This request also includes the following Non-MDE: Containers, weapon system support equipment, support and test equipment, site survey, transportation, repair and return warranties, spare and repair parts, publications and technical data, maintenance, personnel training, and training equipment, U.S. Government and contractor representative engineering, logistics, and technical support services, and other related elements of logistics support.

The total estimated value of MDE is \$1.08 billion. The total overall estimated value is \$1.22 billion.

This proposed sale will contribute to the foreign policy and national security of the United States by helping to improve the security of a strategic partner and major contributor to political stability, security, and economic development in the Pacific region and globally.

This proposed sale is in support of the Royal Australian Air Force's (RAAF) F/A–18, E/A–18G, and F–35 aircraft. This proposed sale will provide the RAAF additional air-to-air intercept capability and increase interoperability with the U.S. Air Force. Australia will have no difficulty absorbing these missiles into its armed forces.

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

The principal contractor for production is Raytheon in Tucson, Arizona. The principal contractor for integration is unknown and will be determined during contract negotiations. 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. or contractor representatives to Australia.

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

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Annex

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(vii) *Sensitivity of Technology:*

1. The AIM–120D AMRAAM hardware, including the missile guidance section, is classified CONFIDENTIAL. State-of-the-art technology is used in the missile to provide it with unique beyond-visual-range capability. The increase in capability from the AIM–120C–7 to AIM–120D consists of a two-way data

link, a more accurate navigation unit, improved High-Angle Off-Boresight (HOBS) capability, and enhanced aircraft to missile position handoff.

2. AIM–120D features a target detection device with embedded electronic countermeasures, an electronics unit within the guidance section that performs all radar signal processing, mid-course and terminal guidance, flight control, target detection, and warhead burst point determination.

3. If a technologically advanced adversary were to obtain knowledge of the specific hardware and software elements, the information could be used to develop countermeasures that might reduce weapon system effectiveness or be used in the development of a system with similar or advanced capabilities.

4. A determination has been made that the recipient country 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.

5. All defense articles and services listed in this transmittal have been authorized for release and export to the Government of Australia.

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## **DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

[Docket No. ED–2016–ICCD–0023]

### **Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission to the Office of Management and Budget for Review and Approval; Comment Request; Part 601 Preferred Lender Arrangements**

**AGENCY:** Federal Student Aid (FSA), Department of Education (ED).

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. chapter 3501 *et seq.*), ED is proposing an extension of an existing information collection.

**DATES:** Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before June 6, 2016.

**ADDRESSES:** To access and review all the documents related to the information collection listed in this notice, please use <http://www.regulations.gov> by searching the Docket ID number ED–2016–ICCD–0023. Comments submitted in response to this notice should be submitted electronically through the Federal eRulemaking Portal at <http://www.regulations.gov> by selecting the

Docket ID number or via postal mail, commercial delivery, or hand delivery. *Please note that comments submitted by fax or email and those submitted after the comment period will not be accepted.* Written requests for information or comments submitted by postal mail or delivery should be addressed to the Director of the Information Collection Clearance Division, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue SW., LBJ, Room 2E-103, Washington, DC 20202-4537.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For specific questions related to collection activities, please contact Beth Grebeldinger, 202-377-4018.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Department of Education (ED), in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA) (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)), provides the general public and Federal agencies with an opportunity to comment on proposed, revised, and continuing collections of information. This helps the Department assess the impact of its information collection requirements and minimize the public's reporting burden. It also helps the public understand the Department's information collection requirements and provide the requested data in the desired format. ED is soliciting comments on the proposed information collection request (ICR) that is described below. The Department of Education is especially interested in public comment addressing the following issues: (1) Is this collection necessary to the proper functions of the Department; (2) will this information be processed and used in a timely manner; (3) is the estimate of burden accurate; (4) how might the Department enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (5) how might the Department minimize the burden of this collection on the respondents, including through the use of information technology. Please note that written comments received in response to this notice will be considered public records.

*Title of Collection:* Part 601 Preferred Lender Arrangements.

*OMB Control Number:* 1845-0101.

*Type of Review:* An extension of an existing information collection.

*Respondents/Affected Public:* State, Local, and Tribal Governments; Individuals or Households; Private Sectors.

*Total Estimated Number of Annual Responses:* 17,405,090.

*Total Estimated Number of Annual Burden Hours:* 3,553,281.

*Abstract:* Part 601—Institution and Lender Requirements Relating to

Education Loans is a section of the regulations governing private education loans offered at covered institutions. These regulations assure the Secretary that the integrity of the program is protected from fraud and misuse of program funds and places requirements on institutions and lenders to ensure that borrowers receive additional disclosures about Title IV, HEA program assistance prior to obtaining a private education loan. The Department is submitting the unchanged Private Education Loan Applicant Self-Certification for OMB's continued approval. While information about the applicant's cost of attendance and estimated financial assistance must be provided to the student, if available, the student will provide the data to the private loan lender who must collect and maintain the self-certification form prior to disbursement of a Private Education Loan. The Department will not receive the Private Education Loan Applicant Self-Certification form and therefore will not be collecting and maintaining the form or its data.

Dated: May 2, 2016.

**Kate Mullan,**

*Acting Director, Information Collection Clearance Division, Office of the Chief Privacy Officer, Office of Management.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

[Docket No.: ED-2016-ICCD-0021]

### Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission to the Office of Management and Budget for Review and Approval; Comment Request; Streamlined Clearance Process for Discretionary Grants

**AGENCY:** Office of the Secretary (OS), Department of Education (ED).

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. chapter 3501 *et seq.*), ED is proposing an extension of an existing information collection.

**DATES:** Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before June 6, 2016.

**ADDRESSES:** To access and review all the documents related to the information collection listed in this notice, please use <http://www.regulations.gov> by searching the Docket ID number ED-2016-ICCD-0021. Comments submitted in response to this notice should be submitted electronically through the Federal eRulemaking Portal at [http://](http://www.regulations.gov)

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**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For specific questions related to collection activities, please contact Alfreida Pettiford, 202-245-6110.

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*Title of Collection:* Streamlined Clearance Process for Discretionary Grants.

*OMB Control Number:* 1894-0001.

*Type of Review:* An extension of an existing information collection.

*Respondents/Affected Public:* State, Local, and Tribal Governments.

*Total Estimated Number of Annual Responses:* 1.

*Total Estimated Number of Annual Burden Hours:* 1.