

The Honorable Newt Gingrich, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

**United States Department of State**

Washington, D.C. 20520

October 9, 1997.

Dear Mr. Speaker: Pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act, I am transmitting herewith certification of a proposed license for the export of defense articles or defense services sold commercially under a contract in the amount of \$50,000,000 or more.

The transaction described in the attached certification involves a program with the NATO AEW&C Programme Management Organization (NAPMO) to define, develop, integrate, and qualify capabilities in the NATO AWACS Mid-Term Upgrade.

The United States Government is prepared to license the export of these items having taken into account political, military, economic, human rights, and arms control considerations.

More detailed information is contained in the formal certification which, though unclassified, contains business information submitted to the Department of State by the applicant, publication of which could cause competitive harm to the United States firm concerned.

Sincerely,

Barbara Larkin,

*Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs.*

Enclosure: Transmittal No. DTC-116-97  
The Honorable Newt Gingrich, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

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**DEPARTMENT OF STATE**

[Public Notice No. 2601]

**Office of Defense Trade Controls;  
Notifications to the Congress of  
Proposed Export Licenses**

AGENCY: Department of State.

ACTION: Notice.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given that the Department of State has forwarded the attached Notifications of Proposed Export Licenses to the Congress on the dates shown on the attachments pursuant to section 36(c) and in compliance with section 36(e) of the Arms Export Control Act (22 U.S.C. § 2776).

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** As shown on each letter.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr. William J. Lowell, Director, Office of Defense Trade Controls, Bureau of Political-Military Affairs, Department of State (703) 875-6644.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Section 38(e) of the Arms Export Control Act mandates that notifications to the

Congress pursuant to section 36(c) must be published in the **Federal Register** when they are transmitted to Congress or as soon thereafter as practicable.

Dated: September 11, 1997.

**William J. Lowell,**

*Director, Office of Defense Trade Controls.*

**United States Department of State**

Washington, D.C. 20520

July 17, 1997.

Dear Mr. Speaker: Pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act, I am transmitting herewith certification of a proposed license for the export of defense articles or defense services sold commercially under a contract in the amount of \$14,000,000.00 or more.

The transaction described in the attached certification involves the export to Brazil of four (4) S-70A-36 helicopters, including ground support and test equipment, tooling, spares, one (1) spare T-700-GE-701C engine with optional external stores support fuel systems.

The United States Government is prepared to license the export of these items having taken into account political, military, economic, human rights, and arms control considerations.

More detailed information is contained in the formal certification which, though unclassified, contains business information submitted to the Department of State by the applicant, publication of which could cause competitive harm to the United States firm concerned.

Sincerely,

Barbara Larkin,

*Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs.*

Enclosure: Transmittal No. DTC-10-97  
The Honorable Newt Gingrich, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

**United States Department of State**

Washington, D.C. 20520

July 17, 1997.

Dear Mr. Speaker: Pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act, I am transmitting herewith certification of a proposed license for the export of major defense equipment sold commercially under a contract in the amount of \$14,000,000.00 or more.

The transaction contained in the attached certification involves the export to Sweden of 110 F404/RM12 engine kits, engine parts and raw materials for the Swedish JAS 39 Gripen program. The Swedish Air Force is the end-user.

The United States Government is prepared to license the export of these items having taken into account political, military, economic, human rights, and arms control considerations.

More detailed information is contained in the formal certification which, though unclassified, contains business information submitted to the Department of State by the applicant, publication of which could cause competitive harm to the United States firm concerned.

Sincerely,

Barbara Larkin,

*Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs.*

Enclosure: Transmittal No. DTC-11-97  
The Honorable Newt Gingrich, Speaker, House of Representatives.

**United States Department of State**

Washington, D.C. 20520

July 25, 1997.

Dear Mr. Speaker: Pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act, I am transmitting herewith certification of a proposed license for the export of defense articles or defense services sold commercially under a contract in the amount of \$50,000,000.00 or more.

The transaction contained in the attached certification involves a joint venture, in which Norway, Ukraine and Russia will also participate, that is to provide commercial space launch services for commercial satellites from a modified oil platform in the Pacific Ocean.

The United States Government is prepared to license the export of these items having taken into account political, military, economic, human rights, and arms control considerations.

More detailed information is contained in the formal certification which, though unclassified, contains business information submitted to the Department of State by the applicant, publication of which could cause competitive harm to the United States firm concerned.

Sincerely,

Barbara Larkin,

*Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs.*

Enclosure: Transmittal No. DTC-16-97  
The Honorable Newt Gingrich, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

**United States Department of State**

Washington, D.C. 20520

July 23, 1997.

Dear Mr. Speaker: Pursuant to Section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act, I am transmitting herewith certification of a proposed Technical Assistance Agreement with Japan involving defense services sold commercially under a contract in the amount of \$50,000,000.00 or more.

The transaction described in the attached certification involves the transfer of technical data and assistance to support the interface between U.S.-manufactured commercial and meteorological satellites and Japan's H-IIA launch vehicles.

The United States Government is prepared to license the export of these items having taken into account political, military, economic, human rights and arms control considerations.

More detailed information is contained in the formal certification which, though unclassified, contains business information submitted to the Department of State by the applicant, publication of which could cause competitive harm to the United States firm concerned.

Sincerely,  
Barbara Larkin,  
*Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs.*

Enclosure: Transmittal No. DTC-43-97  
The Honorable Newt Gingrich, Speaker of the  
House of Representatives.

**United States Department of State**

*Washington, D.C. 20520*

July 25, 1997.

Dear Mr. Speaker: Pursuant to sections 36(c) and (d) of the Arms Export Control Act, I am transmitting herewith certification of a proposed Technical Assistance Agreement and export license for defense articles and services sold commercially under contract to Taiwan in the amount of \$50,000,000.00 or more.

The transaction described in the attached certification involves the sale and assembly of eleven helicopters; the integration of all specialized avionics; and, the maintenance/acceptance test flight of the aircraft after shipment.

The United States Government is prepared to license the export of these services having taken into account the political, military, economic, human rights and arms control considerations.

More detailed information is contained in the formal certification which, though unclassified, contains business information submitted to the Department of State by the applicant, publication of which could cause competitive harm to the United States firm concerned.

Sincerely,  
Barbara Larkin,  
*Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs.*

Enclosure: Transmittal No. DTC-83-97  
The Honorable, Newt Gingrich, Speaker of  
the House of Representatives.

**United States Department of State**

*Washington, D.C. 20520*

July 18, 1997.

Dear Mr. Speaker: Pursuant to Section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act, I am transmitting herewith certification of a proposed license for the export of defense equipment or services sold commercially under contract to the United Kingdom in the amount of \$50,000,000.00 or more.

The transaction described in the attached certification involves the transfer of technical data and launch services for commercial communications satellites.

The United States Government is prepared to license the export of these items having taken into account the political, military, economic, human rights and arms control considerations.

More detailed information is contained in the formal certification which, though unclassified, contains business information submitted to the Department of State by the applicant, publication of which could cause competitive harm to the United States firm concerned.

Sincerely,  
Barbara Larkin,  
*Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs.*

Enclosure: Transmittal No. DTC-96-97  
The Honorable, Newt Gingrich, Speaker of  
the House of Representatives.

**United States Department of State**

*Washington, D.C. 20520*

September 17, 1997.

Dear Mr. Speaker: Pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act, I am transmitting here with certification of a proposed license for the export of defense articles and defense services sold commercially under a contract in the amount of \$50,000,000.00 or more.

The transaction described in the attached certification involves the export to Germany of Radar System Improvement Program (RSIP) hardware.

The United States Government is prepared to license the export of these items having taken into account political, military, economic, human rights, and arms control considerations.

More detailed information is contained in the formal certification which, though unclassified, contains business information submitted to the Department of State by the applicant, publication of which could cause competitive harm to the United States firm concerned.

Sincerely,  
Barbara Larkin,  
*Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs.*

Enclosure: Transmittal No. DTC-75-97  
The Honorable Newt Gingrich, Speaker of the  
House of Representatives.

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**OFFICE OF THE UNITED STATES  
TRADE REPRESENTATIVE**

**Renewal of Treatment on Government  
Procurement of Products From  
Countries Designated Under the  
Caribbean Basin Economic Recovery  
Act**

Under the authority delegated to me by the President in section 1-201 of Executive Order 12269 of December 31, 1980, I hereby direct that products of countries listed below, designed by the President as beneficiaries under the Caribbean Basin Economic Recovery Act (19 U.S.C. 2701, et. seq.), shall continue to be treated as eligible products for purpose of section 1-101 of Executive Order 12260 until September 30, 1998. Such treatment shall not apply to products originating in these countries that are excluded from duty free treatment under 19 U.S.C. 2703(b). Subsequent renewal of this treatment beyond September 30, 1998, will be subject to beneficiaries' participation

and cooperation in the World Trade Organization (WTO) Working Group on Transparency in Government Procurement, efforts they make to accede to the WTO Agreement on Government Procurement or to support continuing multilateral negotiations in the WTO in the future and their participation in the Free Trade Area of the Americas Working Group on Government Procurement. Countries making significant efforts to comply with these conditions will be considered for future multiple-year renewals of preferential procurement status.

**Charlene Barshefsky,**  
*United States Trade Representative.*

List of Countries Designated as  
Beneficiary Countries for Purpose of the  
Caribbean Basin Economic Recovery Act  
(CBERA)

Antigua and Barbuda  
Aruba  
Bahamas, The  
Barbados  
Belize  
Costa Rica  
Dominica  
Dominican Republic  
El Salvador  
Grenada  
Guatemala  
Guyana  
Haiti  
Honduras  
Jamaica  
Nicaragua  
Panama  
Saint Lucia  
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines  
Trinidad and Tobago  
Montserrat  
Netherlands Antilles  
Saint Kitts-Nevis  
Virgin Islands, British

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**OFFICE OF THE UNITED STATES  
TRADE REPRESENTATIVE**

**Request for Public Comment With  
Respect to the Annual National Trade  
Estimate Report on Foreign Trade  
Barriers**

**AGENCY:** Office of the United States  
Trade Representative.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to section 303 of the Trade and Tariff Act of 1984, as amended, USTR is required to publish annually the National Trade Estimate Report on Foreign Trade Barriers (NTE). With this notice, the Trade Policy Staff