

are unwanted or prohibited by regulation, as well as other animals that may become hooked or entangled accidentally.

10. Uses tackle and techniques which minimize harm to fish when engaging in "catch and release" angling.

Dated: September 29, 1998.

Bruce C. Moehead,

Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.
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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

ACTION: Notice.

The Department of Defense has submitted to OMB for clearance, the following proposal for collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35).

Title and OMB Number: Corps of Engineers Civil Works Questionnaires—Generic Clearance; OMB Number 0710-0001.

Type of Request: Reinstatement.
Number of Respondents: 112,400.

Responses per Respondent: 1.

Annual Responses: 112,400.

Average Burden Per Response: 6 minutes.

Annual Burden Hours: 10,817.

Needs and Uses: The Army Corps of Engineers uses public surveys for collecting primary data for planning, program evaluation, and basic research to improve formulation and design of resource projects and the management of their operations. Information is needed to formulate and evaluate alternative water resources development plans; to determine the effectiveness and evaluate the impacts of Corps projects; and in the case of flood damage mitigation, to obtain information on flood damages incurred, with or without a flood damage reduction project. Surveys of the public are also essential to the Corps recreation research and management program. Respondents are typically flood victims; other floodplain residents and business managers; shippers of waterborne commodities; waterway operators; local officials who work with the Corps of Engineers on planning and managing water resource projects and services; and, individual users of Corps recreation areas.

Affected Public: Individuals or Households; Business or Other For-

Profit; Not-For-Profit Institutions; Farms; State, Local, or Tribal Government.

Frequency: On Occasion.

Respondent's Obligation: Voluntary.

OMB Desk Officer: Mr. James A. Laity.

Written comments and recommendations on the proposed information collection should be sent to Mr. Laity at the Office of Management and Budget, Desk Officer for U.S. Army, COE, Room 10202, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503.
DOD Clearance Officer: Mr. Robert Cushing.

Written requests for copies of the information collection proposal should be sent to Mr. Cushing, WHS/DIOR, 1215 Jefferson Davis Highway, Suite 1204, Arlington, VA 22202-4302.

Dated: September 29, 1998.

Patricia L. Toppings,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

ACTION: Notice.

The Department of Defense has submitted to OMB for clearance, the following proposal for collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35).

Title and OMB Number: Tender of Service—Mobile Homes/Boats; OMB Number 0704-0056.

Type of Request: Reinstatement.

Number of Respondents: 23.

Responses per Respondent: 5.4 (average).

Annual Responses: 125.

Average Burden per Response: 1 hour 15 minutes.

Annual Burden Hours: 444.

Needs and Uses: The Carrier Qualification Program (CQP) is designed to protect the interest of the Government and to ensure that the Department of Defense deals with responsible carriers having the capability to provide quality and dependable service. This program became necessary because deregulation of the motor carrier industry brought an influx of new carriers into DoD's transportation market, many of which are unreliable or do not have the capability to provide consistent dependable transportation service. Since mobile homes/boats move at

Government expense, data is needed to choose the best service at least cost. The information provided serves as a bid for contract to transport mobile homes/boats. The carrier must provide the information in order to become a DoD-approved carrier.

Affected Public: Business or Other For-Profit.

Frequency: On Occasion.

Respondent's Obligation: Required to Obtain or Retain Benefits.

OMB Desk Officer: Mr. Peter N. Weiss.

Written comments and recommendations on the proposed information collection should be sent to Mr. Weiss at the Office of Management and Budget, Desk Officer for DoD, Room 10236, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503.

DoD Clearance Officer: Mr. Robert Cushing.

Written requests for copies of the information collection proposal should be sent to Mr. Cushing, WHS/DIOR, 1215 Jefferson Davis Highway, Suite 1204, Arlington, VA 22202-4302.

Dated: September 29, 1998.

Patricia L. Toppings,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

[Transmittal No. 98-38]

36(b)(1) Arms Sales Notification

AGENCY: Defense Security Assistance Agency, DOD.

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 Pub. L. 104-164 dated July 21, 1996.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. J. Hurd, DSAA/COMPT/RM, (703) 604-6575.

The following is a copy of a letter to the Speaker of the House of Representatives, Transmittal 98-38, with attached transmittal, policy justification, sensitivity of technology, and Section 620C(b) of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961.

Dated: September 29, 1998.

L.M. Bynum,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEFENSE SECURITY ASSISTANCE AGENCY

WASHINGTON, DC 20301-2800

22 SEP 1998

In reply refer to:
I-63599/98

Honorable Newt Gingrich
Speaker of the House of
Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515-6501

Dear Mr. Speaker:

Pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act, we are forwarding herewith Transmittal No. 98-38, concerning the Department of the Army's proposed Letter(s) of Offer and Acceptance (LOA) to Greece for defense articles and services estimated to cost \$245 million. Soon after this letter is delivered to your office, we plan to notify the news media.

You will also find attached a certification as required by Section 620C(d) of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, as amended, that this action is consistent with Section 620C(b) of that statute.

Sincerely,


A.R. KELTZ
ACTING DIRECTOR

Attachments

Same ltr to: House Committee on International Relations
Senate Committee on Appropriations
Senate Committee on Foreign Relations
House Committee on National Security
Senate Committee on Armed Services
House Committee on Appropriations

Transmittal No. 98-38

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

- (i) Prospective Purchaser: Greece
- (ii) Total Estimated Value:
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|--------------------------|----------------|
| Major Defense Equipment* | \$ 214 million |
| Other | \$ 31 million |
| TOTAL | \$ 245 million |
- (iii) Description of Articles or Services Offered:
Eighteen Multiple Launch Rocket Systems (MLRS), 146 MLRS extended range rocket pods (six rockets per pod), 81 Army Tactical Missile System guided missiles and launching assemblies, 11 M577 command post carriers, 162 M26 rockets, 94 SINCGARS radio systems, 60 AN/PVS-7B night vision goggles, four M984A1 and 24 M985 heavy expanded mobility tactical trucks, forklifts, production verification testing, spare and repair parts, support vehicles, publications and technical documentation, personnel training and training equipment, support and test equipment, U.S. Government and contractor technical and logistics personnel services and other related elements of program support.
- (iv) Military Department: Army (XIG, XIQ, and XIR)
- (v) Sales Commission, Fee, etc., Paid, Offered, or Agreed to be Paid: None
- (vi) Sensitivity of Technology Contained in the Defense Article or Defense Services Proposed to be Sold:
See Annex attached.
- (vii) Date Report Delivered to Congress: 22 SEP 1998

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

POLICY JUSTIFICATION

Greece - Guided Missile Systems

The Government of Greece has requested a possible sale of 18 Multiple Launch Rocket Systems (MLRS), 146 MLRS extended range rocket pods (six rockets per pod), 81 Army Tactical Missile System (ATACMS) guided missiles and launching assemblies, 11 M577 command post carriers, 162 M26 rockets, 94 SINCGARS radio systems, 60 AN/PVS-7B night vision goggles, four M984A1 and 24 M985 heavy expanded mobility tactical trucks, forklifts, production verification testing, spare and repair parts, support vehicles, publications and technical documentation, personnel training and training equipment, support and test equipment, U.S. Government and contractor technical and logistics personnel services and other related elements of program support. The estimated cost is \$245 million.

This proposed sale will contribute to the foreign policy and national security of the United States by improving the military capabilities of Greece and enhancing weapon system standardization and interoperability of this important NATO ally.

The proposed sale will provide the Hellenic Army with an area fire system for use against hostile artillery, air defense and maneuver elements. ATACMS mounts on the multiple launch rocket system (MLRS) launcher which Greece has previously purchased and, therefore, will have no difficulty absorbing these additional systems capabilities. The missiles will be provided to Greece in accordance with and subject to the limitations on use and transfer of the Arms Export Control Act, as embodied in the terms of sale. This sale will not adversely affect either the military balance in the region or U.S. efforts to encourage a negotiated settlement of the Cyprus question.

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

The prime contractor will be Lockheed Martin Vought Systems, Dallas, Texas. One or more proposed offset agreements may be related to this proposed sale.

Implementation of this proposed sale will require the assignment of several U.S. Government Quality Assurance Teams to Greece for 30 days to assist in the delivery and deployment of the systems. There will be a contractor representative for one year following initial deployment and may require additional representatives to participate in technical support periodically during the program.

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

Transmittal No. 98-38

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

Annex
Item No. vi

(vi) Sensitivity of Technology:

1. The highest level of classified information required to be released for training, operation and maintenance of the MLRS is Confidential. The highest level which could be revealed through reverse engineering or testing of the end item is Secret. This information includes reports and test data, as well as performance and capability data.

2. The highest level of classified information required to be released for training, operation and maintenance of the Army Tactical Missile System (ATACMS) is Confidential. The highest level of classified information which could be revealed through reverse engineering or testing of the missile system is Secret. This information includes reports and test data, as well as performance and capability data.

3. Specific areas of ATACMS which are not classified but considered sensitive and contain critical technology include the application of low-radar-cross-section material to enhance system survivability, the armored and camouflaged ATACMS container which provides additional protection and reduces vulnerability, the Improved Stabilized Reference Package/Position Determining System (ISRP/PDS), the Payload Interface Module, the Improved Electronics Unit in the launcher and the missile's guidance, payload, propulsion, and control sections.

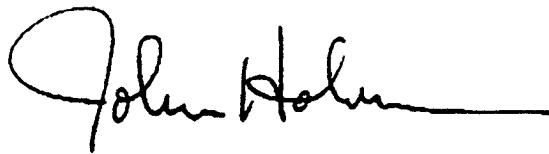
4. If a technologically advanced adversary were to obtain knowledge of the specific hardware and software elements, the information could be used to develop countermeasures or equivalent systems which might reduce weapon system effectiveness or be used in the development of a system with similar or advanced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

5. 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.

Certification Under Section 620C(d)
Of The Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, As Amended

Pursuant to section 620C(d) of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, as amended (the Act), Executive Order 12163 (sec. 1-201(a)(13)) and the Secretary of State's memorandum of December 15, 1997, I hereby certify that the furnishing to Greece of 18 Multiple Launch Rocket Systems (MLRS), 146 MLRS extended range rocket pods, 81 modified Block I Army Tactical Missile System (ATACMS) guided missiles and related elements of logistics and program support, at an estimated cost of \$245 million, is consistent with the principles contained in section 620C(b) of the Act.

This certification will be made part of the notification to the Congress under section 36(b) of the Arms Export Control Act regarding the proposed sale of the above-named articles and services, and is based on the justification accompanying said notification, of which said justification constitutes a full explanation.



John D. Holum
Acting Under Secretary
for Arms Control and
International Security
Affairs / Director, U.S. Arms
Control and Disarmament Agency