Response system report; and 12 minutes for a Fishing Trip Record (Shellfish) report

Needs and Uses: Fishing vessels permitted to participate in Federallypermitted fisheries in the Northeast are required to submit logbooks containing catch and effort information about their fishing trips. Participants in the herring and tilefish fisheries are also required to make weekly reports on their catch through an Interactive Voice Response (IVR) system. In addition, permitted vessels that catch halibut are asked to voluntarily provide additional information on the estimated size of the fish and the time of day caught. The information submitted is needed for the management of the fisheries. This action seeks to renew Paperwork Reduction Act clearance for these requirements.

Affected Public: Business or other forprofit, individuals or households.

Frequency: On occasion, monthly. Respondent's Obligation: Mandatory. OMB Desk Officer: David Rostker, (202) 395–3897.

Copies of the above information collection proposal can be obtained by calling or writing Madeleine Clayton, Departmental Paperwork Clearance Officer, (202) 482–3129, Department of Commerce, Room 6086, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20230 (or via the Internet at MClayton@doc.gov).

Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to David Rostker, OMB Desk Officer, Room 10202, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503.

Dated: June 13, 2002.

Madeleine Clayton,

Departmental Paperwork Clearance Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer. [FR Doc. 02–15598 Filed 6–19–02; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 3510–22–S

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary [Transmittal No. 0222]

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 Pub. L. 104164 dated 21 July 1996.

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

The following is a copy of a letter to the Speaker of the House of Representatives, Transmittal 02–22 with attached transmittal, policy justification, and Sensitivity of Technology.

Dated: June 14, 2002.

Patricia L. Toppings,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEFENSE SECURITY COOPERATION AGENCY

WASHINGTON, DC 20301-2800

7 June 2002

In reply refer to: I-02/004178

The Honorable J. Dennis Hastert 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 (AECA), as amended, we are forwarding herewith Transmittal No. 02-22 and under separate cover the classified offset certificate thereto. This Transmittal concerns the Department of the Navy's proposed Letter(s) of Offer and Acceptance (LOA) to Switzerland for defense articles and service estimated to cost \$104 million. Soon after this letter is delivered to your office, we plan to notify the news media of the unclassified portion of this Transmittal.

Reporting of Offset Agreements in accordance with Section 36(b)(1)(C) of the Arms Export Control Act (AECA), as amended, requires a description of any offset agreement with respect to this proposed sale. Section 36(g) of the AECA, as amended, provides that reported information related to offset agreements be treated as confidential information in accordance with section 12(c) of the Export Administration Act of 1979 (50 U.S.C. App. 2411(c)). Information about offsets for this proposed sale are described in the enclosed confidential attachment.

Sincerely,

Attachment As stated TOME H. WALTERS, JR. LIEUTENANT GENERAL, USAF DIRECTOR

Separate Cover: Offset certificate

Same ltr to: House Committee on International Relations

Senate Committee on Appropriations Senate Committee on Foreign Relations House Committee on Armed Services Senate Committee on Armed Services House Committee on Appropriations

Transmittal No. 02-22

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

- (i) Prospective Purchaser: Switzerland
- (ii) <u>Total Estimated Value</u>:

Major Defense Equipment* \$ 72 million
Other \$ 32 million
TOTAL \$ 104 million

- (iii) Description and Quantity or Quantities of Articles or Services under
 Consideration for Purchase: 222 AIM-9X Sidewinder Tactical Missiles, eight (8)
 NATM-9X Telemetry Missiles, 45 CATM-9X Captive Air Training Missiles,
 missile containers, missile modifications, test sets and support equipment, spare
 and repair parts, publications and technical data, maintenance, personnel
 training and training equipment, U.S. Government and contractor
 representatives, contractor engineering and technical support services, and other
 related elements of logistics support
- (iv) Military Department: Navy (AAM)
- (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 Annex attached
- (viii) <u>Date Report Delivered to Congress:</u>

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

POLICY JUSTIFICATION

Switzerland – AIM-9X Sidewinder Missiles

The Government of Switzerland has requested a possible sale of 222 AIM-9X Sidewinder Tactical Missiles, eight (8) NATM-9X Telemetry Missiles, 45 CATM-9X Captive Air Training Missiles, missile containers, missile modifications, test sets and support equipment, spare and repair parts, publications and technical data, maintenance, personnel training and training equipment, U.S. Government and contractor representatives, contractor engineering and technical support services, and other related elements of logistics support. The estimated cost is \$104 million.

The Government of Switzerland is a political and economic power in Europe and a partner of the United States in ensuring peace and stability in that region. It is vital to the U.S. national interest to assist the Swiss in developing and maintaining a strong and ready self-defense capability which will contribute to an acceptable military balance in the area.

The AIM-9X Sidewinder missile enhances self-defense capabilities bringing Swiss Air Force (SAF) F/A-18s up to capabilities found in neighboring country military forces. The incremental effect of the sale of AIM-9X on the overall capability of the SAF should not be particularly significant.

The Swiss Air Force has extensive experience operating the F/A-18 aircraft and should have no difficulties incorporating this upgraded weapon into their forces. The Swiss Air Force needs this upgrade to keep pace with high tech advances in weaponry.

The prime contractor will be Raytheon Systems Corporation of Tucson, Arizona. One or more proposed offset agreements may be related to this proposed sale.

Implementation of this proposed sale will require two contractor representatives on-site during the preparation, equipment installation, equipment installation, and testing/checkout.

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

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Annex Item No. vii

(vii) Sensitivity of Technology:

- 1. The AIM-9X represents a substantial increase in missile acquisition and kinematics performance over the AIM-9M. The missile includes a high off-bore-sight seeker, enhanced countermeasure rejection capability, low drag/high angle of attack airframe and the ability to integrate the Helmet Mounted Cueing System. The software algorithms are the most sensitive portion of the AIM-9X missile. The software continues to be modified during the testing phase in order to improve its counter-countermeasures capabilities. No software source code or algorithms will be released. Sensitive and/or classified (up to Secret) elements of the AIM-9X missiles include equipment/hardware, software, training, maintenance, documentation, and operation/performance.
- 2. The external view of the AIM-9X Sidewinder missile is unclassified and not sensitive. The AIM-9X features a high off-bore-sight seeker, enhanced countermeasure rejection capability, improved acquisition range and the ability to integrate with aircraft sensors. The seeker/guidance and control section and the target detector are confidential and contain sensitive state-of-the-art technology. Specifically, the infrared seeker sensitivity is a significant improvement over the previous AIM-9 variants. Manuals and technical documents for the AIM-9X that are necessary or support operational use and organizational maintenance have portions classified up to Secret. Performance and operating logic of the counter-countermeasures circuits are Secret. The hardware, software, and data identified are classified to protect vulnerabilities, design and performance parameters and similar critical information.
- 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 which 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 Switzerland can provide essentially the same degree of protection for the technology being released as the U.S. Government. This proposed sale is necessary in furtherance of the U.S. foreign policy and national security objectives outlined in the policy justification portion of the notification.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

Meeting of the Defense Policy Board Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Department of Defense, Defense Policy Board Advisory Committee.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Defense Policy Board Advisory Committee will meet in closed session at the Pentagon on July 10–11, 2002, from 0900 to 1730.

The purpose of the meeting is to provide the Secretary of Defense, Deputy Secretary of Defense and Under Secretary of Defense for Policy with independent, informed advice on major matters of defense policy. The Board will hold classified discussion on national security matters.

In accordance with section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, Public Law No. 92–463, as amended (5 U.S.C. App II (1982)), it has bee determined that this meeting concerns matters listed in 5 U.S.C. 552B(c)(1)(1982), and that accordingly this meeting will be closed to the public.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Contact Ann Hansen, 703–693–7034.

Dated: June 14, 2002.

Patricia L. Toppings,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense. [FR Doc. 02–15599 Filed 6–19–02; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 5001–08–M