DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

[Transmittal No. 05-32]

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: Ms. J. Hurd, DSCA/DBO/ADM, (703) 604–6575.

The following is a copy of a letter to the Speaker of the House of Representatives, Transmittal 05–32 with attached transmittal and policy justification.

Dated: July 27, 2005.

Jeannette Owings-Ballard,

OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEFENSE SECURITY COOPERATION AGENCY

WASHINGTON, DC 20301-2800

21 JUL 2005 In reply refer to: I-05/006892

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, as amended, we are forwarding herewith Transmittal No. 05-32, concerning the Department of the Army's proposed Letter(s) of Offer and Acceptance to Thailand for defense articles and services estimated to cost \$46 million. Soon after this letter is delivered to your office, we plan to notify the news media.

Sincerely,

Richard J. Millies Deputy Director

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Enclosures:

- 1. Transmittal
- 2. Policy Justification

Same ltr to: House Committee on International Relations

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

Transmittal No. 05-32

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

(i) Prospective Purchaser: Thailand

Total Estimated Value:

Major Defense Equipment* \$30 million
Other \$16 million
TOTAL \$46 million

Description and Quantity or Quantities of Articles or Services under Consideration for Purchase: two UH-60L BLACK HAWK helicopters with engines, spare and repair parts, support equipment, publications and technical data, personnel training and training equipment, U.S. Government Quality Assurance Team, contractor engineering and technical support services and other related elements of logistics support.

Military Department: Army (WFV, TEV, and ODG)

(v) Prior Related Cases, if any:

FMS case WEZ - \$27 million - 11Sep03

FMS case WES - \$28 million - 30Aug02

FMS case WEC - \$19 million - 29Sep00

Sales Commission, Fee, etc., Paid, Offered, or Agreed to be Paid: none

Sensitivity of Technology Contained in the Defense Article or Defense Services Proposed to be Sold: none

Date Report Delivered to Congress: 21 JUL 2005

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

POLICY JUSTIFICATION

Thailand - UH-60L BLACK HAWK Helicopters

The Government of Thailand has requested a possible sale of two UH-60L BLACK HAWK helicopters with engines, spare and repair parts, support equipment, publications and technical data, personnel training and training equipment, contractor engineering and technical support services and other related elements of logistics support. The estimated cost is \$46 million.

This proposed sale will contribute to the foreign policy and national security of the United States by helping to improve the security of a friendly country which has been and continues to be an important force in the war on drugs.

The Royal Thai Navy (RTN) requires the helicopters to fulfill utility lift requirements. This was emphasized during the heightened operation tempo during the recent tsunami search and rescue operations. The RTN intends to reduce the variety of airframe platforms in its inventory. Thailand, which already has UH-60 model helicopters in its inventory, will have no difficulty absorbing these additional aircraft.

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

The prime contractor will be Sikorsky Aircraft Corporation of Stratford, Connecticut. There are no known offset agreements proposed in connection with this potential sale.

When the helicopters arrive, implementation will require eight U.S. contractor representatives for two weeks and one field service representative for up to two years in Thailand.

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

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Dated: July 27, 2005. **Jeannette Owings-Ballard,**OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer,

Department of Defense.

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