of Planning and Evaluation, Consumer Product Safety Commission, Washington, D.C. 20207; telephone: (301) 504–7671.

Dated: September 29, 2005.

Todd Stevenson,

 $Secretary, Consumer\ Product\ Safety$ Commission.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

[Transmittal No. 05-44]

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 21 July 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 05–44 with attached transmittal and policy justification.

Dated: September 29, 2005.

L.M. Bynum,

OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer Department of Defense.

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DEFENSE SECURITY COOPERATION AGENCY

WASHINGTON, DC 20301-2800

28 SEP 2005 In reply refer to: I-05/008866

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. 05-44 and under separate cover the classified annex thereto. This

Transmittal concerns the Department of the Navy's proposed Letter(s) of Offer

and Acceptance to Brazil for defense articles and services estimated to cost \$60

million. Soon after this letter is delivered to your office, we plan to notify the news

media of the unclassified portion of this Transmittal.

Sincerely,

Richard J. Millies Deputy Director

Enclosures:

1. Transmittal

2. Policy Justification

Separate Cover: Classified Annex

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. 05-44

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: Brazil
- (ii) Total Estimated Value:

Major Defense Equipment* \$40 million
Other \$20 million
TOTAL \$60 million

- (iii) Description and Quantity or Quantities of Articles or Services under Consideration for Purchase: 30 MK 48 Mod 6 Advanced Technology Torpedoes, containers, exercise heads, devices, support and test equipment, spare and repair parts, personnel training and training equipment, publications and technical documentation, engineering and technical assistance, supply support, U.S. Government and contractor technical assistance and other related elements of logistics support.
- (iv) Military Department: Navy (AHN)
- (v) Prior Related Cases, if any: none
- (vi) Sales Commission, Fee, etc., Paid, Offered, or Agreed to be Paid: none
- (vii) <u>Sensitivity of Technology Contained in the Defense Article or Defense</u> <u>Services Proposed to be Sold</u>: See Annex attached
- (viii) Date Report Delivered to Congress: 28 SEP 2005

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

POLICY JUSTIFICATION

Brazil - MK 48 Mod 6 Advanced Technology Torpedoes

The Government of Brazil has requested a possible sale of 30 MK 48 Mod 6 Advanced Technology Torpedoes, containers, exercise heads, devices, support and test equipment, spare and repair parts, personnel training and training equipment, publications and technical documentation, engineering and technical assistance, supply support, U.S. Government and contractor technical assistance and other related elements of logistics support. The estimated cost is \$60 million.

The Government of Brazil is one of the major political and military powers in South America. It is vital to the U.S. national interest to support the Government of Brazil and assist them in developing and maintaining a strong and ready self-defense capability that will contribute to maintaining a regional military balance and help them become a stronger future coalition partner. The proposed sale is consistent with those objectives.

Brazil intends to use the purchase to upgrade and modernize its existing heavyweight torpedo capability. The existing torpedoes were purchased and delivered in the mid 1980s through the early 1990s. The modernization will enhance the capabilities of the Brazilian Navy and support its regional influence. The proposed sale of the torpedoes and support will upgrade existing inventories and improve overall Brazilian Naval Anti-Submarine and Anti-Surface Warfare capability to confront future coalition challenges. The proposed sale will not contribute to regional destabilization or upset the existing military balance. The proposed sale supports foreign policy and military missions.

The prime contractor will be Raytheon Corporation of Waltham, Massachusetts. There are no known offset agreements proposed in connection with this potential sale.

Implementation of this proposed sale will not require the assignment of any U.S. Government or contractor representatives to Brazil. There will be U.S. Government and contractor representatives in country on a temporary basis to participate in program management and technical reviews.

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