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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

[Transmittal No. 06-07]

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 06-07 with attached transmittal, policy justification, and Sensitivity of Technology.

Dated: October 27, 2005.

L.M. Bynum,

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**DEFENSE SECURITY COOPERATION AGENCY**

WASHINGTON, DC 20301-2800

25 OCT 2005
In reply refer to:
I-05/008404

**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. 06-07, concerning the Department of the Air Force's proposed Letter(s) of Offer and Acceptance to the Taipei Economic and Cultural Representative Office in the United States for defense articles and services estimated to cost \$280 million. Soon after this letter is delivered to your office, we plan to notify the news media.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "M. B. Kohler".

JEFFREY B. KOHLER
LIEUTENANT GENERAL, USAF
DIRECTOR

Enclosures:

- 1. Transmittal**
- 2. Policy Justification**
- 3. Sensitivity of Technology**

**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**

POLICY JUSTIFICATION

Taipei Economic and Cultural Representative Office in the United States - Missiles and Pilot Training Program

The Taipei Economic and Cultural Representative Office in the United States has requested a possible sale of 10 AIM-9M Sidewinder Missiles and 5 AIM-7M Sparrow Missiles, continuation of a pilot training program and logistics support for F-16 aircraft to include flight training, supply and maintenance support, spare and repair parts, support equipment, program management, publications, documentation, personnel training and training equipment, fuel and fueling services, and other related program requirements necessary to sustain a long-term CONUS training program. The estimated cost is \$280 million.

This sale is consistent with United States policy and Public Law 96-8.

In accordance with the Taiwan Relations Act, the United States makes available sufficient defense items and services to allow Taiwan to provide for its own self-defense.

It is vital to the U.S. national interest to assist the recipient in developing and maintaining a strong and ready self-defense capability, which will contribute to an acceptable military balance in the area. This proposed sale is consistent with those objectives.

The recipient will use these weapons for live fire exercises at the Luke Air Force Base training facility. These missiles will be drawn from the U.S. inventory if needed and remain in CONUS. These services and equipment are used in the continuing pilot training program at Luke Air Force Base, Arizona. This program enables the recipient to develop mission ready and experienced pilots through CONUS training. The training provides a "capstone" course that takes experienced pilots and significantly improves their tactical proficiency. Training is a key component of combat effectiveness, and recipient pilots who have graduated from the existing program have performed brilliantly.

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

There are no known offset agreements proposed in connection with this potential sale.

Implementation of this sale will not require the assignment of any U.S. Government or contractor representatives to recipient.

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

Transmittal No. 06-07**Notice of Proposed Issuance of Letter of Offer
Pursuant to Section 36(b)(1)
of the Arms Export Control Act****Annex
Item No. vii****(vii) Sensitivity of Technology:**

1. The missiles will be retained and used in CONUS for live-fire exercises.
2. The AIM-9M Sidewinder missile is a supersonic, air-to-air guided missile that employs an Infrared Guidance System and an active optical Target Detector. A reduced-smoke solid-propellant Rocket Motor propels the missile, which has detachable, double-delta control surfaces that improve the missiles' maneuverability. The AIM-9M utilizes a guidance control section with improved infrared counter-countermeasures. With enhanced background discrimination capability and reduced-smoke rocket motor modifications, the AIM-9M has an increased ability to locate and lock on a target, and decreases opponents' chances of visual missile detection. The AIM-9M is configured with an Annular Blast Fragmentation Warhead. The AIM-9M all up round (AUR) is classified Confidential; major components and subsystems range from Unclassified to Confidential; and technical data and other documentation are classified up to Secret.
3. The AIM-7M Sparrow missile is a supersonic, medium-range, aerial-intercept, semi-active radar-guided, air-to-air, boost-glide missile that guides on Radio Frequency (RF). The AIM-7M has all-weather, all-altitude operational capability, can attack high-performance aircraft from any direction, and incorporates Electronic-Counter-Countermeasure capabilities. A dual-thrust, solid-propellant Rocket Motor propels the missile, and semi-active, continuous wave, homing radar, and hydraulically-operated control surfaces direct and stabilize the missile on a proportional navigation course to the target. The AIM-7M is configured with an Annular Blast Fragmentation Warhead. The AIM-7M AUR is classified Confidential; major components and subsystems range from Unclassified to Confidential; and technical data and other documentation are classified up to Secret.
4. If a technologically advanced adversary were to obtain knowledge of the specific hardware and software, 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.