

Transmittal No. 07-19

**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 SM-2 Block IIIA STANDARD missile is a U.S. Navy surface-launched guided missile and is classified Secret. It is operationally deployed on cruisers, destroyers, and frigates for use against air and anti-ship cruise missile threats and for area defense. The guidance system employs a continuous-wave or interrupted continuous-wave radar link for homing in on a target. Steering and roll commands from the adaptive auto-pilot system provide flight stability via four aft-mounted control surfaces. Propulsion is provided by a solid-propellant, dual-thrust rocket motor that is an integral part of the missile airframe. The target detecting device (TDD) is a complex fuze with dual radar systems to optimize warhead lethality against a spectrum of target sizes and speeds.

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

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

[Transmittal No. 07-48]

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. B. English, DSCA/DBO/CFM, (703) 601-3740.

The following is a copy of a letter to the Speaker of the House of Representatives, Transmittal 07-48 with attached transmittal, policy justification, and Sensitivity of Technology.

Dated: September 13, 2007.

C.R. Choate,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEFENSE SECURITY COOPERATION AGENCY

WASHINGTON, DC 20301-2800

SEP 21 2007

**In reply refer to:
I-07/010407-CFM**

**The Honorable Nancy Pelosi
Speaker of the House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515-6501**

Dear Madam 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. 07-48, concerning the Department of the Army's proposed Letter(s) of Offer and Acceptance to Singapore for defense articles and services estimated to cost \$330 million. After this letter is delivered to your office, we plan to issue a press statement to notify the public of this proposed sale.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jeffrey A. Wieringa".

Jeffrey A. Wieringa
Vice Admiral, USN
Director

Enclosures:

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

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Committee on Foreign Affairs
Committee on Armed Services
Committee on Appropriations

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- (i) **Prospective Purchaser:** Singapore
- (ii) **Total Estimated Value:**
- | | |
|--------------------------|----------------------|
| Major Defense Equipment* | \$159 million |
| Other | <u>\$171 million</u> |
| TOTAL | \$330 million |
- (iii) **Description and Quantity or Quantities of Articles or Services under Consideration for Purchase:**

Major Defense Equipment (MDE)

18 M142 High Mobility Artillery Rocket Systems (HIMARS) Launchers
32 XM31 Unitary High Explosive GMLRS Pods
30 M28A1 Multiple Launcher Rocket Systems (MLRS) Practice Rocket
Pods
35 VRC-92E Single Channel Ground and Airborne Radios Systems
(SINGARS)
45 VRC-90E SINGARS
35 VRC-990 Vehicular Radio Communications Sets
45 VRC-950 Vehicular Radio Communications Sets
9 M1084A1 Family of Medium Tactical Vehicles (FMTV) 5-Ton Trucks
1 M1089A1 Wrecker

Also included are support equipment, communications equipment, spare and repair parts, test sets, batteries, laptop computers, publications and technical data, facility design, personnel training and equipment, systems integration support, support services of a Quality Assurance Team and a Technical Assistance Fielding Team, United States (U.S.) Government and contractor engineering and logistics personnel services, and other related elements of logistics support.

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

- (iv) **Military Department:** Army (VDO)
- (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) **Date Report Delivered to Congress:** SEP 12 2007

POLICY JUSTIFICATION**Singapore - High Mobility Artillery Rocket Systems**

The Government of Singapore has requested a possible sale of

Major Defense Equipment (MDE)

18 M142 High Mobility Artillery Rocket Systems (HIMARS) Launchers
32 XM31 Unitary High Explosive GMLRS Pods
30 M28A1 Multiple Launcher Rocket Systems (MLRS) Practice Rocket Pods
35 VRC-92E Single Channel Ground and Airborne Radios Systems
(SINGGARS)
45 VRC-90E SINGGARS
35 VRC-990 Vehicular Radio Communications Sets
45 VRC-950 Vehicular Radio Communications Sets
9 M1084A1 Family of Medium Tactical Vehicles (FMTV) 5-Ton Trucks
1 M1089A1 Wrecker

Also included are support equipment, communications equipment, spare and repair parts, test sets, batteries, laptop computers, publications and technical data, personnel training and equipment, systems integration support, support services of a Quality Assurance Team and a Technical Assistance Fielding Team, United States (U.S.) Government and contractor engineering and logistics personnel services, and other related elements of logistics support. The estimated cost is \$330 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 that has been, and continues to be, an important force for economic progress in Southeast Asia.

The HIMARS will enhance Singapore's military capability by providing a highly effective indirect area fire artillery system that is critical to successful deterrence and national defense. HIMARS supplements traditional cannon artillery by delivering high volume firepower in a short time against time-sensitive targets. At shorter ranges, HIMARS complements tube artillery with heavy barrages against assaulting forces, counter-fire and defense suppression. Singapore military will have no difficulty absorbing and integrating this system into its armed forces.

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

The principal contractors will be: Lockheed Martin Missile and Fire Control at Dallas, Texas and Stewart & Stevenson at Sealy, Texas. There are no known offset agreements proposed in connection with this potential sale.

Implementation of this sale will require the assignment of a U.S. Government Quality Assurance Team of up to five contractor representatives to Singapore for two weeks to assist in the delivery and deployment of the HIMARS and sequential deliveries. There will be a three-man Technical Assistance Fielding Team for training mission for up to two years. A U.S. Government representative will remain in country for a minimum of two years in order to assist in the security assistance aspects of the proposed sale.

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

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(vii) Sensitivity of Technology:

1. The High Mobility Artillery Rocket System (HIMARS) is a highly mobile, all-weather indirect area fire artillery system. The HIMARS mission is to supplement cannon artillery to deliver a large volume of firepower within a short time against critical time-sensitive targets. At shorter ranges, HIMARS complements tube artillery with heavy barrages against assaulting forces as well as in the counter-fire, or defense suppression roles.

2. The Global Positioning System Precise Positioning Service (GPS PPS) component of the HIMARS munitions XM31 GMLRS Unitary Rockets), also contained in the Fire Direction System, is classified Secret, and is considered sensitive. To that end, no GPS PPS design information, including GPS software algorithms, will be disclosed in the course of this proposed sale to Singapore. Susceptibility of GMLRS to diversion or exploitation is considered low risk. The GMLRS employs an inertial navigational system that is aided by a Selective Availability Anti-Spoofing Module (SAASM) equipped GPS receiver.

3. Susceptibility of Single Channel Ground and Airborne Radios Systems (SINCGARS) Radios, and XM31 GMLRS Unitary Rockets to diversion or exploitation is considered low risk. Components of the systems are also considered highly resistant to reverse engineering. Detailed knowledge of the technical capabilities of the system could enable an enemy to tailor defenses and adjust tactics and procedures to minimize the effectiveness of the system.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**Office of the Secretary****Meeting of the Defense Department Advisory Committee on Women in the Services (DACOWITS)**

AGENCY: Department of Defense.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to Section 10(a), Public Law 92-463, as amended, notice is hereby given of a forthcoming meeting of the Defense Department Advisory Committee on Women in the Services (DACOWITS). The purpose of the Committee meeting is to review the first draft of the 2007 report. This year's topic consist of military women's health care in the theater of operations and spouses' employment opportunities. The meeting is open to the public, subject to the availability of space.

Interested person may submit a written statement for consideration by the Defense Department Advisory Committee on Women in the Services. Individuals submitting a written statement must submit their statement to the Point of Contact listed below at the address detailed below, NLT 5 p.m. October 3, 2007. If a written statement is not received by October 3, 2007 prior to the meeting, which is the subject of this notice, then it may not be provided to or considered by the Defense Department Advisory Committee on Women in the Services until its next open meeting. The Designated Federal Officer will review all timely submissions with the Defense Department Advisory Committee on Women in the Services Chairperson and ensure they are provided to the members of the Defense Department Advisory Committee on Women in the Services. If members of the public are interested in making an oral statement, a written statement must be submitted as above. After reviewing the written comments, the Chairperson and the Designated Federal Officer will determine who of the requesting persons will be able to make an oral presentation of their issue during an open portion of this meeting or at a future meeting. Determination of who will be making an oral presentation will depend on time available and if the topics are relevant to the Committee's activities. Two minutes will be allotted to persons desiring to make an oral presentation. Oral presentations by members of the public will be permitted only on Tuesday, 9 October from 4:30

p.m. to 5 p.m. before the full Committee. Number of oral presentations to be made will depend on the number of requests received from members of the public.

DATES: 9 October 2007, 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m.; 10 October 2007, 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m.; 11 October 2007, 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m.

Location: Double Tree Hotel Crystal City National Airport, 300 Army Navy Drive, Arlington, VA 22202.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

MSgt Robert Bowling, USAF, DACOWITS, 4000 Defense Pentagon, Room 2C548A, Washington, DC 20301-4000. *Robert.bowling@osd.mil* Telephone (703) 697-2122. Fax (703) 614-6233.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Meeting agenda.

Tuesday, 9 October 2007 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m.

Welcome & Administrative Remarks; 2007 Report briefings on military women's health care in the theater of operations and Service members' spouses' employment opportunities.

Edit first draft of the report.
Public Forum.

Wednesday, 10 October 2007 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m.

Edit first draft of the report.

Thursday 11 October 2007 8:30 a.m.-12 p.m.

Welcome & Administrative Remarks.
Begin work on findings and recommendations of 1st Draft 2007 Report.

Note: Exact order may vary.

Dated: September 17, 2007.

L.M. Bynum,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, DoD.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**Department of the Air Force****Air University Board of Visitors; Notice of Meeting**

ACTION: Notice of Meeting of Air University Board of Visitors.

SUMMARY: The purpose of the meeting is to give the board an opportunity to review Air University educational programs and to present a report of their findings and recommendations concerning these programs.

DATES: The Air University Board of Visitors will hold an open meeting on November 5-6, 2007, 8-4:30 CDT, Maxwell Air Force Base, Alabama.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Dorothy Reed, Chief of Academic Affairs, Air University Headquarters, Maxwell Air Force Base, Alabama 36112-6335, at (334) 953-5159.

Bao-Anh Trinh,

Air Force Federal Register Liaison Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**Department of the Army****Notice of Availability of the Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS) for Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) and Enhanced Use Lease (EUL) Actions at Fort Meade, MD**

AGENCY: Department of the Army, DoD.

ACTION: Notice of Availability (NOA).

SUMMARY: The Department of the Army announces the availability of the FEIS which evaluates the potential environmental impacts associated with realignment actions directed by the Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) Commission and Army Enhanced Use Lease (EUL) Actions at Fort Meade, Maryland.

DATES: The waiting period for the FEIS will end 30 days after publication of an NOA in the **Federal Register** by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

ADDRESSES: To obtain a copy of the FEIS contact the Public Affairs Office, Fort George G. Meade, 4550 Pershing Hall, Room 120, Fort Meade, MD 20755-5025. Send e-mails to *meade.pao@conus.army.mil*.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Melanie Moore at (301) 677-1361 during normal business hours Monday through Friday.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Proposed Action, and subject of the FEIS, covers the movement of personnel associated with the BRAC realignment activities and associated construction activities. The FEIS also covers the impacts from the proposed federal real estate lease which would result in development to Army lands at Fort Meade under the Army's EUL program.

To implement the BRAC Commission recommended initiatives, Fort Meade will be receiving personnel, equipment, and missions from various realignment and closure actions within the U.S. Department of Defense. The Army will provide the necessary facilities/buildings and infrastructure to support the changes as recommended. Permanent facilities will be constructed to house the Defense Information