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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary [Transmittal No. 08–73]

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 08–73 with attached transmittal, and policy justification.

Dated: August 1, 2008.

Patricia L. Toppings,

OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEFENSE SECURITY COOPERATION AGENCY 2800 DEFENSE PENTAGON WASHINGTON, DC 20301-2800

JUL 2 5 2008 In reply refer to: USP007971-08

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.

08-73, concerning the Department of the Air Force's proposed Letter(s) of Offer and Acceptance to Iraq for defense articles and services estimated to cost \$1.5 billion. After this letter is delivered to your office, we plan to issue a press statement to notify the public of this proposed sale.

Enclosures:

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

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Transmittal No. 08-73

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: Iraq
- (ii) Total Estimated Value:

Major Defense Equipment* \$.504 billion
Other \$.996 billion
TOTAL \$1.500 billion

- (iii) Description and Quantity or Quantities of Articles or Services under Consideration for Purchase: 6 C-130J-30 United States Air Force baseline aircraft and equipment, 24 Rolls Royce AE 2100D3 engines, 4 Rolls Royce AE 2100D3 spare engines, 6 AAR-47 Missile Warning Systems, 2 spare AAR-47 Missile Warning Systems, 6 AN/ALE-47 Countermeasures Dispensing Systems, and 2 spare AN/ALE-47 Countermeasures Dispensing Systems. Also included spare and repair parts, configuration updates, integration studies, support equipment, publications and technical documentation, technical services, personnel training and training equipment, foreign liaison office support, U.S. Government and contractor engineering and logistics personnel services, construction, and other related elements of logistics support.
- (iv) Military Department: Air Force (SAB)
- (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: JUL 2 5 2008

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

POLICY JUSTIFICATION

Iraq - C-130J-30 Aircraft

The Government of Iraq has requested a possible sale of 6 C-130J-30 United States Air Force baseline aircraft and equipment, 24 Rolls Royce AE 2100D3 engines, 4 Rolls Royce AE 2100D3 spare engines, 6 AAR-47 Missile Warning Systems, 2 spare AAR-47 Missile Warning Systems, 6 AN/ALE-47 Countermeasures Dispensing Systems, 2 spare AN/ALE-47 Countermeasures Dispensing Systems. Also included spare and repair parts, configuration updates, integration studies, support equipment, publications and technical documentation, technical services, personnel training and training equipment, foreign liaison office support, U.S. Government and contractor engineering and logistics personnel services, construction, and other related elements of logistics support. The estimated cost is \$1.5 billion.

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. This proposed sale directly supports the Iraqi government and serves the interests of the Iraqi people and the U.S., as well as offering hope for a more stable and peaceful Middle East.

The Iraqi Air Force intends to use the C-130J aircraft for intra-theater support for its troops. Additionally, the aircraft will be used to provide humanitarian relief operations in various locations. Purchase of new transport aircraft will provide Iraq with the ability to operate seamlessly with U.S., NATO and coalition forces engaged in all types of operations and missions.

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

The principal contractors will be: Lockheed Martin Aeronautics Company in Fort Worth, Texas and Rolls-Royce Corporation in Indianapolis, Indiana. There are no known offset agreements proposed in connection with this potential sale.

Implementation of this proposed sale will require participation of up to ten U.S. Government and ten contractor representatives to participate in annual technical and program management reviews, for two-week intervals.

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 C-130 Hercules aircraft performs primarily the tactical portion of the airlift mission. The aircraft is capable of operating from rough, dirt strips and is the prime transport for air dropping troops and equipment into hostile areas. The C-130 operates throughout the U.S. Air Force, serving with Air Mobility Command, Air Force Special Operations Command, Air Combat Command, U.S. Air Forces in Europe, Pacific Air Forces, Air National Guard, and the Air Force Reserve Command, fulfilling a wide range of operational missions in both peace and war. The C-130J improvements over the C-130E include improved maximum speed, climb time, cruising altitude and range. The C-130J-30 has 55 feet of cargo compartment length an additional 15 feet over the original "short" aircraft.
- 2. The AN/ALE-47 Countermeasures Dispensing System (CMDS) is an integrated, threat-adaptive, software-programmable dispensing system capable of dispensing chaff, flares, and active radio frequency expendables. The threats countered by the CMDS include radar-directed anti-aircraft artillery (AAA), radar command-guided missiles, radar homing guided missiles, and infrared (IR) guided missiles. The system is internally mounted and may be operated as a stand-alone system or may be integrated with other on-board early warning and avionics systems. The AN/ALE-47 uses threat data received over the aircraft interfaces to assess the threat situation and to determine a response. Expendable routines tailored to the immediate aircraft and threat environment may be dispensed using one of four operational modes. Hardware is Unclassified. Technical data and documentation to be provided is Unclassified.
- 3. The AN/AAR-47 Missile Warning System is a small, lightweight, passive, electro-optic, threat warning device used to detect surface-to-air missiles fired at helicopters and low-flying fixed-wing aircraft and automatically provide countermeasures, as well as audio and visual-sector warning messages to the aircrew. The basic system consists of multiple Optical Sensor Converter (OSC) units, a Computer Processor (CP) and a Control Indicator (CI). The set of OSC units, normally four, is mounted on the aircraft exterior to provide omni-directional

protection. The OSC detects the rocket plume of missiles and sends appropriate signals to the CP for processing. The CP analyzes the data from each OSC and automatically deploys the appropriate countermeasures. The CP also contains comprehensive built-in test circuitry. The control indicator displays the incoming direction of the threat, so that the pilot can take appropriate action. Hardware is Unclassified. Technical data and documentation to be provided is Unclassified. Overall system classification is SECRET due to data that can be gleaned about vulnerabilities associated with the photomultiplier tube and false alarm rate. These vulnerabilities will be apparent to any user of the system. There will be no additional release of classified information beyond what has already been approved for release.

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

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U.S. Nuclear Command and Control System Comprehensive Review Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Department of Defense. **ACTION:** Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: Under the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act of

1972 (5 U.S.C., Appendix, as amended), the Government in the Sunshine Act of 1976 (5 U.S.C. paragraph 552b, as amended), and 41 CFR paragraph 102–3.150, the Department of Defense announces the following Federal Advisory Committee meetings of the U.S. Nuclear Command and Control System Comprehensive Review Advisory Committee.

DATES: September 3, 2008 (0830–1700) and September 4, 2008 (0830–1700).

ADDRESSES: Aboard the National Airborne Command Center and at U.S. Strategic Command Headquarters Conference Room, Offutt AFB, NB.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. William L. Jones, (703) 681–8681, U.S. Nuclear Command and Control System Support Staff (NSS), Skyline 3, 5201 Leesburg Pike, Suite 500, Falls Church, Virginia 22041.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Purposes of the Meetings: To provide an overview of Nuclear Command and Control System capabilities, NCCS capabilities, including airborne and Integrated Tactical Warning/Attack Assessment facilities, equipment and communications.

Time	Topic	Presenter
Agenda: Sep 3, 2008: Offutt AFB/HQ USSTRATCOM—Force Execution.		
TBD(Airborne)(Airborne)(Airborne)	Depart Andrews AFB. NAOC Capabilities Brief NAOC Roadmap Nuclear Forces Connectivity	NAOC Crew. Joint Staff/USAF. OASD (NII)/DISA.
(DC2N concept, Thin-line funding and projected capabilities)		
(Airborne)	Oversight of NCCS assets (e.g., DC2N, E–4, E–6B) Land at Offutt AFB. Lunch Tour GOC, Air Room Briefing on OPLAN 8010 GT08 DOD Nuclear Exercise Results Exec Session. Adjourn.	OASD (NII). Club. STRATCOM. USSTRATCOM. JS/STRATCOM.
Sep 4, 2008: Offutt AFB/HQ USSTRATCOM—Force Execution		
8 a.m	Tour TACAMO, get capabilities brief NATO NC2 Capabilities & Procedures STRATCOM Survivability Assessment/EMP	TACAMO Crew. EUCOM. Mr. Andy Metzger.
[special compartmented briefing]		
10:30 a.m	Integrated Tactical Warning/Attack Assessment	AFSPC.