

Transmittal No. 08-89**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 RC-135 Rivet Joint is an air refuelable, globally deployable aircraft that can be used for SIGINT missions. Rivet Joint provides near-real-time intelligence information, derived from SIGINT, to tactical forces, combatant commanders, and national-level authorities across the spectrum of conflict. As the global SIGINT environment changes, technology is updated to ensure continued capability to accomplish this mission. Most hardware used in Rivet Joint systems is generic and commercially available. However, if any of the specialized hardware or publications are lost, the information could provide insight into many critical US capabilities. Information gained could be used to develop countermeasures as well as offensive and defensive counter-tactics.**

2. **Rivet Joint utilizes ground support systems for mission data preparation and post-mission data processing, for real-time augmentation of the in-flight crew, and also for training. Mission preparation and processing are accomplished in the Ground Data Processing System (GDPS). Mission crew augmentation is accomplished using the Satcom link as a tether from the aircraft to a system referred to as the Airborne Capability Extension System (ACES). Training is accomplished on one of two primary systems; one is the Rivet Joint Mission Trainer (RJMT) and the other is referred to as the Field Exportable Training System (FETS).**

3. **The Multi-Spectral Targeting System (MTS-B) is a multi-use infrared (IR), electro-optical (EO), and laser detecting ranging-tracking set, developed and produced for use by the USAF in the MQ-9. This advanced EO and IR system provides long-range surveillance, high altitude, target acquisition, tracking, range finding, and laser designation for the HELLFIRE missile and for all tri-service and NATO laser-guided munitions.**

4. **If a technologically advanced adversary were to obtain knowledge of the specific hardware and software elements, 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.**

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

[Transmittal Nos. 08-94]

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, Transmittals 08-94 with attached transmittal, policy justification, and Sensitivity of Technology.

Dated: October 7, 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**

**SEP 26 2008
In reply refer to:
USP011023-08**

**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. 08-94, concerning the Department of the Air Force's proposed Letters(s) of Offer and Acceptance to Turkey for defense articles and services estimated to cost \$200 million. After this letter is delivered to your office, we plan to issue a press statement to notify the public of this proposed sale.

You will also find attached a certification as required by Section 620C(d) of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, as amended, that this action is consistent with the principles set forth in subsection 620C(b) of that Act as codified in section 2373 of title 22, United States Code.

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**
- 4. Section 620C(d)**

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**House
Committee on Foreign Affairs
Committee on Armed Services
Committee on Appropriations**

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

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- (i) **Prospective Purchaser:** Turkey
- (ii) **Total Estimated Value:**
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| Major Defense Equipment* | \$180 million |
| Other | \$ <u>20 million</u> |
| TOTAL | \$200 million |
- (iii) **Description and Quantity or Quantities of Articles or Services under Consideration for Purchase:** 30 AN/AAQ-33 SNIPER Extended Range Targeting Pods, 30 AN/AAQ-13 LANTIRN Extended Range Navigation Pods, containers, flight tests, integration, digital cartridge interface, spare and repair parts, support equipment, publications and technical documentation, personnel training and training equipment, U.S. government and contractor representative technical and logistics personnel services, and other related elements of program support.
- (iv) **Military Department:** Air Force (QAJ)
- (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 26 2008

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

POLICY JUSTIFICATION

Turkey – AN/AAQ-33 SNIPER Targeting Pods and AN/AAQ-13 LANTIRN Navigation Pods

The Government of Turkey has requested a possible sale of 30 AN/AAQ-33 SNIPER Extended Range Targeting Pods, 30 AN/AAQ-13 LANTIRN Extended Range Navigation Pods, containers, flight tests, integration, digital cartridge interface, spare and repair parts, support equipment, publications and technical documentation, personnel training and training equipment, U.S. government and contractor representative technical and logistics personnel services, and other related elements of program support. The estimated cost is \$200 million.

Turkey is a partner of the United States in ensuring peace and stability in the region. It is vital to the U.S. national interest to assist our North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) Ally in developing and maintaining a strong and ready self-defense capability that will contribute to an acceptable military balance in the area. This proposed sale is consistent with those objectives.

Turkey needs these capabilities for self defense modernization, regional security, and U.S. and NATO interoperability. This modernization will enhance the Turkish Air Force's ability to defend Turkey while patrolling the nation's extensive coastline and borders against future threats and contribute to Global War on Terrorism and NATO operations. The proven reliability and compatibility of like-systems in association with numerous platforms will foster increased interoperability with NATO and U.S. forces, and expand regional defenses to counter common threats to air, border, and shipping assets in the region. The Turkish Air Force will have no difficulty absorbing these systems into its armed forces.

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

The prime contractor will be Lockheed Martin Missile and Fire Control Company in Orlando, Florida. There are no known offset agreements proposed in connection with this potential sale.

Implementation of this proposed sale may require the assignment of U.S. Government and contractor representatives to Turkey for integration efforts. Also, this program will require U.S. government and contractor personnel to conduct annual, one-week Program Management Reviews in Turkey.

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

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1. The SNIPER (AN/AAQ-33) Extended Range Targeting Pod is an advanced pod that incorporates a third generation targeting Forward Looking Infrared Radar, a laser tracker, a laser marker, a dual mode laser, and a CCD-TV providing superior image quality. The lightweight SNIPER provides target identification and targeting capabilities at greater ranges compared to existing targeting pods. It also features lower life cycle costs due to its modular architecture. Advanced sensors combined with advanced image processing algorithms and steady stabilization produce target identification ranges that permit operations minimizing exposure to many threat systems. The dual-mode laser offers an eye safe mode for urban combat training operations, along with a laser-guided bomb designation laser for guiding precision munitions.

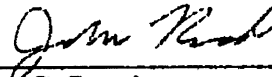
2. The LANTIRN (AN/AAQ-13) Extended Range Navigation Pod provides high-speed penetration and precision attack on tactical targets at night and in adverse weather. The navigation pod also contains a terrain-following radar and a fixed infrared sensor, which provides a visual cue and input to the aircraft's flight control system, enabling it to maintain a pre-selected altitude above the terrain and avoid obstacles. The pod enables the pilot to fly along the general contour of the terrain at high speed, using mountains, valleys, and the cover of darkness to avoid detection.

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 which might reduce weapon system effectiveness or be used in the development of a system with similar or advanced capabilities.

CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO SECTION 620C(d) OF THE FOREIGN ASSISTANCE ACT OF 1961, AS AMENDED

Pursuant to Section 620C(d) of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, as amended (the Act), Executive Order 12163 and State Department Delegation of Authority No. 145, I hereby certify that the sale of defense articles and defense services, to include 30 AN/AAQ-33 SNIPER Extended Range Targeting Pods, 30 AN/AAQ-13 LANTIRN Extended Range Navigation Pods, containers, flight tests, integration, digital cartridge interface, spare and repair parts, and related program support, to the Government of Turkey is consistent with the principles set forth in Section 620C(b) of the Act.

This certification will be made part of the notification to Congress in accordance with Section 36(b) of the Arms Export Control Act, as amended, regarding the proposed sale of the above-named articles and services and is based on the justification accompanying said notification, of which said justification constitutes a full explanation.



John C. Rood
Acting Under Secretary of State for
Arms Control and International
Security

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

**Defense Task Force on Sexual Assault
in the Military Services**

AGENCY: Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness); DoD.

ACTION: Committee Meeting Change.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to 41 CFR 102-3.160 (b), a change announcement is made to a previously announced committee meeting of the Defense Task Force on Sexual Assault in the Military Services (hereafter referred to as the Task Force).

DATES: October 29, 2008, through October 31, 2008, (8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Central Standard Time, hereafter referred to as CST, October 29 and 30, 2008, and 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. CST October 31, 2008).

ADDRESSES: Lincolnshire Marriott Resort, Salon A, 10 Marriott Drive, Lincolnshire, Illinois 60069.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Colonel Jackson-Chandler, Designated Federal Officer, Defense Task Force on Sexual Assault in the Military Services, 2850 Eisenhower Avenue, Suite 100, Alexandria, Virginia 22314, Telephone: (703) 325-6640, DSN# 221, Fax: (703) 325-6710/6711, E-mail: cora.chandler@wso.whs.mil.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Task Force will meet from October 29 to 31, 2008. The previously announced public meeting on October 30, 2008, remains unchanged. However, the task force has added two additional administrative working meetings to its scheduled visit to Naval Training Center and Naval Station Great Lakes, Illinois. The purpose of these administrative working meetings on October 29 and 31, 2008 are to discuss administrative matters that relate to the task force. Pursuant to 41 CFR 102-3(b), administrative working meetings are closed to the public. Previously published guidance remains in effect.

Dated: October 10, 2008.

Robert L. Cushing, Jr.,
*Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison
Officer, Department of Defense.*

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Army

**Notice of Availability of the Draft
Environmental Impact Statement
(DEIS) for the Disposal and Reuse of
Fort McPherson, GA; Correction**

AGENCY: Department of the Army, DoD.

ACTION: Notice; correction.

SUMMARY: The Department of the Army published a Notice of Availability in the **Federal Register** of October 10, 2008, concerning the DEIS for Disposal and Reuse of Fort McPherson, Georgia. The Notice of Availability contained incorrect information.

Correction

In the **Federal Register** of October 10, 2008, in FR Doc. E8-23995, on page