

**Transmittal No. 11-24**

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:* France.
- (ii) *Total Estimated Value:*

Major Defense Equipment*	\$150 million.
Other .....	\$30 million.
Total .....	\$180 million.

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

(iii) *Description and Quantity or Quantities of Articles or Services under Consideration for Purchase:* upgrade of four E-2C HAWKEYE Aircraft with weapon system sensor upgrades with Mode 5/S Identification Friend or Foe (IFF). Included are 5 APX-122 IFF Mode 5/S Interrogator Systems, 5 APX-123 IFF Mode 5/S Transponder Systems, and 5 ALQ-217 Electronic Support Measure Systems. In addition, this proposed sale will include related spare and repair parts, support and test equipment, weapon system support, development, publications and technical documentation, integration and testing, personnel training and equipment, U.S. Government and contractor engineering and logistics personnel support services, and other related elements of logistics support.

- (iv) *Military Department:* Navy (LHG).
- (v) *Prior Related Cases:* Multiple cases dating back to 1995 .
- (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:* None.
- (viii) *Date Report Delivered to Congress:* 18 October 2011.

*Policy Justification*

France—Upgrade of E-2C HAWKEYE Aircraft

The Government of France has requested a possible sale of the upgrade of four E-2C HAWKEYE Aircraft with weapon system sensor upgrades with Mode 5/S Identification Friend or Foe (IFF). Included are 5 APX-122 IFF Mode 5/S Interrogator Systems, 5 APX-123 IFF Mode 5/S Transponder Systems, and 5 ALQ-217 Electronic Support Measure Systems. In addition, this proposed sale will include related spare and repair parts, support and test equipment, weapon system support, development, publications and technical documentation, integration and testing, personnel training and equipment, U.S. Government and contractor engineering and logistics personnel support services, and other related elements of logistics support. The estimated cost is \$180 million.

France is one of the major political and economic powers in Europe and NATO and an ally of the United States in the pursuit of peace and stability. It is vital to the U.S. national interest to assist France to develop and maintain a strong and ready self-defense capability.

France’s current IFF Interrogator, transponder, and electronic support measures is old technology and requires upgrading to the most current technology. The proposed sale will give France Mode 5/S capabilities. France intends to incorporate these systems into its E-2C HAWKEYE Navigation upgrade aircraft. France has significant experience in operating and maintaining modern weapon systems and infrastructure required and will have no difficulty absorbing these systems into its armed forces.

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

The prime contractor will be Northrop Grumman Corporation in Bethpage, New York. 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 additional U.S. Government or contractor representatives to France.

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

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**DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**

**Office of the Secretary**

[Transmittal Nos. 11-09]

**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 July 21, 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 11-09 with attached transmittal and policy justification.

Dated: October 20, 2011.

**Aaron Siegel,**

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The Honorable John A. Boehner  
Speaker of the House  
U.S. House of Representatives  
Washington, DC 20515

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. 11-09, concerning the Department of the Air Force's proposed Letter(s) of Offer and Acceptance to Argentina for defense articles and services estimated to cost \$166 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 that reads "William E. Landay III".

**William E. Landay III**  
Vice Admiral, USN  
Director

Enclosures:

1. Transmittal
2. Policy Justification



**Transmittal No. 11-09**

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- (ii) *Total Estimated Value:*

Major Defense Equip-ment*	\$ 0 million.
Other .....	\$166 million.
Total .....	\$166 million.

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(iii) *Description and Quantity or Quantities of Articles or Services under Consideration for Purchase:*

Commercial-off-the-shelf avionics upgrade of five (5) C-130H aircraft that includes minor Class IV modifications, ground handling equipment, repair and return, spare and repair parts, support equipment, publications and technical documentation, tools and test equipment, personnel training and training equipment, programmed depot maintenance, U.S. Government and contractor engineering, technical, and logistics support services, and other related elements of program support.

(iv) *Military Department:* Air Force (QAT)

(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:* None

(viii) *Date Report Delivered to Congress:* 18 October 2011

*Policy Justification*

**Argentina—C-130H Avionics Upgrade**

The Government of Argentina has requested a possible purchase of commercial-off-the-shelf avionics upgrade of five (5) C-130H aircraft that includes minor Class IV modifications, ground handling equipment, repair and return, spare and repair parts, support equipment, publications and technical documentation, tools and test equipment, personnel training and training equipment, programmed depot maintenance, U.S. Government and contractor engineering, technical, and logistics support services, and other related elements of program support. The estimated cost is \$166 million.

The proposed sale will contribute to the foreign policy and national security of the United States by improving the security of a major non- NATO ally.

The proposed sale will improve Argentina's capability to meet current and future needs for its existing C-130 fleet. Argentina uses its C-130 in humanitarian and Antarctic missions. Argentina, which already has C-130s in its inventory, will have no difficulty absorbing the upgraded systems into its armed forces. The proposed sale will enhance U.S and Argentine Air Force relations.

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

The prime contractors for this sale are not known at this time. There are no known offset agreements proposed in connection with this potential sale.

Implementation of this proposed sale will require the temporary assignment

of approximately two (2) U.S. Government and 48 contractor representatives to Argentina during the duration of the program.

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

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