

*Policy Justification**Belgium—AIM-9X-2 SIDEWINDER MISSILES*

The Government of Belgium has requested a possible sale of 40 AIM-9X-2 Sidewinder Block II All-Up-Round Missiles, 36 CATM-9X-2 Captive Air Training Missiles, 2 CATM-9X-2 Block II Missile Guidance Units, and 10 AIM-9X-2 Block II Tactical Guidance Units, 4 Dummy Air Training Missiles, containers, missile support and test equipment, provisioning, spare and repair parts, personnel training and training equipment, publications and technical data, U.S. Government and contractor technical assistance and other related logistics support, and other related elements of logistics and program support. The estimated cost is \$68 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 NATO ally which continues to be an important force for political stability and economic progress in Europe.

The Belgian Air Force (BAF) intends to obtain these AIM-9X missiles as part of an overall military modernization program to better support its own air defense needs and to improve its interoperability with the U.S. and other NATO allies. The BAF will have no difficulty absorbing the AIM-9X missiles into its armed forces.

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

The principal contractor will be Raytheon Missile Systems Company in Tucson, Arizona. There are no known offset requirements in connection with this potential sale.

Implementation of this proposed sale will require travel of U.S. Government or contractor representatives to Belgium on a temporary basis for program technical support and management oversight.

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

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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 AIM-9X-2 Block II Sidewinder Missile represents a substantial increase in missile acquisition and kinematics performance over the AIM-9M and replaces the AIM-9X Block I Missile. The missile includes a high off-

boresight seeker, enhanced countermeasure rejection capability, low drag/high angle of attack airframe and the ability to integrate the Helmet Mounted Cueing System. The software algorithms are the most sensitive portion of the AIM-9X-2 missile. The software continues to be modified via a pre-planned product improvement (P³I) program in order to improve its countermeasure capabilities. No software source code or algorithms will be released. The missile is classified as Confidential.

2. The AIM-9X-2 will result in the transfer of sensitive technology and information. The equipment, hardware, and documentation are classified Confidential. The software and operational performance are classified Secret. The seeker/guidance control section and the target detector are Confidential and contain sensitive state-of-the-art technology. Manuals and technical documentation that are necessary or support operational use and organizational management are classified up to Secret. Performance and operating logic of the counter-countermeasures circuits are classified Secret. The hardware, software, and data identified are classified to protect vulnerabilities, design and performance parameters and similar critical information.

3. 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 advanced capabilities.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**Office of the Secretary****Board of Regents, Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences; Notice of Federal Advisory Committee Meeting; Correction**

AGENCY: Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences (USU), DoD.

ACTION: Quarterly meeting notice; correction.

SUMMARY: On Thursday, October 3, 2013 (78 FR 61344), the Department of Defense published in the **Federal Register**, a notice to announce the quarterly meeting of the Board of Regents, Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences on Wednesday, October 23, 2013, from 8:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. (Open Session) and 10:30

a.m. to 11:30 a.m. (Closed Session). Due to the extended government shutdown, the meeting location has been moved. This notice corrects the meeting location.

ADDRESSES: The meeting location has been moved to the Everett Alvarez Jr. Board of Regents Room (D3001), Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences, 4301 Jones Bridge Road, Bethesda, Maryland 20814.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Members of the public wishing to attend the meeting should contact S. Leeann Ori, Designated Federal Officer, 4301 Jones Bridge Road, D3002, Bethesda, Maryland 20814; telephone 301-295-3066; email sherri.ori@usuhs.edu.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to Federal statute and regulations (5 U.S.C. 552b and 41 CFR 102-3.140 through 102-3.165) and the availability of space, the meeting is open to the public from 8:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. Seating is on a first-come basis.

Meeting Announcement: Due to the lapse of appropriations, the Department of Defense had to change the meeting location for Board of Regents Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences on October 23, 2013. As a result, the Department of Defense was unable to provide appropriate notification as required by 41 CFR 102-3.150(a). Therefore, the Advisory Committee Management Officer for the Department of Defense, pursuant to 41 CFR 102-3.150(b), waives the 15-calendar day notification requirement.

Dated: October 17, 2013.

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Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

[Docket No.: ED-2013-ICCD-0076]

Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission to the Office of Management and Budget for Review and Approval; Comment Request; Targeted Teacher Shortage Areas Nationwide Listing

AGENCY: Office of Postsecondary Education (OPE), Department of Education (ED).

ACTION: Notice

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. chapter 3501 *et seq.*), ED is proposing an extension of an existing information collection of a previously approved information collection.