

(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 Attached Annex

(viii) *Date Report Delivered to Congress:* 10 Oct 14

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

#### *Policy Justification*

#### *Australia—Close-In Weapon System Block 1B Baseline 2 Upgrade*

The Government of Australia has requested a possible sale of up to 3 Close-In Weapon System (CIWS) Block 1B Baseline 1 to Baseline 2 upgrade kits; the overhaul and upgrade of up to 9 CIWS Block 1A mounts to Block 1B Baseline 2 systems; 11 Remote Control Stations; 11 Local Control Stations, spare and repair parts; support equipment; test equipment; personnel training and training equipment; publications and technical documentation; U.S. Government and contractor logistics and technical support services; and other related elements of logistics and program support. The estimated cost is \$76 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 major ally which has been, and continues to be a staunch coalition partner and important force for political stability throughout the world.

The proposed sale will improve Australia's maritime defense capability to contribute to national defense and future coalition operations. Australia will use the enhanced capability as a deterrent to regional threats and to strengthen its shipboard defense. Australia will have no difficulty absorbing this new upgrade into its armed forces.

The proposed sale of this equipment and support 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 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 Australia.

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 CIWS Block 1B Baseline 2 upgrade represents an increase in threat acquisition and firepower accuracy over the Block 1B Baseline 1 and CIWS Block 1A configurations. The Baseline 2 variant includes a radar improvement upgrade and an electro-optical sensor to improve weapon system performance against low-observable; sea-skimming threats, and provides improved capability to concentrate hard-kill ordnance in a tighter pattern on the threat. The CIWS mount and spare hardware are Unclassified. The radar improvement/upgrade is the most sensitive portion of the Baseline 2 configuration. The hardware, software, and the majority of the technical documentation are Unclassified.

2. The CIWS Block 1B Baseline 2 upgrade will result in the transfer of highly accurate close-in engagement technology and ship self-defense capability. The equipment, hardware, and the majority of documentation are Unclassified. The embedded software and operational performance are classified Confidential. The seeker/electro-optical control section and the target detector are Unclassified, but contain sensitive state-of-the-art technology. Twelve sets of Technical Manuals used to support the operation and provisioning of organizational-level maintenance are Confidential. The technical and operational data identified above is 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.

4. A determination has been made that the recipient country can provide the same degree of protection for the sensitive technology being released as the U.S. Government. This sale is necessary in furtherance of the U.S. foreign policy and national security objectives outlined in the Policy Justification.

5. All defense articles and services listed in this transmittal have been

authorized for release and export to the Government of Australia.

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### Office of the Secretary

#### Termination of Defense Legal Policy Board

**AGENCY:** DoD.

**ACTION:** Termination of Federal Advisory Committee.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Defense is publishing this notice to announce that it is terminating the Defense Legal Policy Board, effective September 30, 2014.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Jim Freeman, Advisory Committee Management Officer for the Department of Defense, 703–692–5952.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This committee is being terminated under the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972 (5 U.S.C. Appendix), 41 CFR 102–3.55, and the Government in the Sunshine Act of 1976 (5 U.S.C. 552b), effective September 30, 2014.

Dated: October 21, 2014.

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### Defense Acquisition Regulations System

[Docket Number DARS 2014–0053]

#### Information Collection Requirement; Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement; Special Contracting Methods

**AGENCY:** Defense Acquisition Regulations System, Department of Defense (DoD).

**ACTION:** Notice and request for comments regarding a proposed extension of an approved information collection requirement.

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35), DoD announces the proposed extension of a public information collection requirement and seeks public comment on the provisions thereof. DoD invites comments on: (a)