

Transmittal No. 06-36

**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 Light Armored Vehicle (LAV) and all associated documentation are unclassified. Sensitive technologies to include the Improved Thermal Sight System (ITSS) and Drivers Vision Enhancer (DVE) are subsystems integral to the LAV-25 mission role variant and the DVE is integral to the other nine mission role variants as well.

2. The Night Vision Devices (NVDs) proposed for sale include the AN/PVS-7D, Night Vision Goggle (NVG); AN/PVS-14, Individual Weapon Night Vision Sight, and the PAS-13 Long Range Infrared Night Vision Sight. These NVDs will be reviewed in compliance with Golden Sentry requirements during all United States reviews.

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 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 No. 06-26]

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. J. Hurd, DSCA/DBO/ADM, (703) 604-6575.

The following is a copy of a letter to the Speaker of the House of Representatives, Transmittal 06-26 with attached transmittal, policy justification, and Sensitivity of Technology.

Dated: July 24, 2006.

C.R. Choate,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEFENSE SECURITY COOPERATION AGENCY

WASHINGTON, DC 20301-2800

20 JUL 2006

In reply refer to:
I-06/003885

The Honorable J. Dennis Hastert
Speaker of the House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515-6501

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. 06-26, concerning the Department of the Army's proposed Letter(s) of Offer and Acceptance to Saudi Arabia for defense articles and services estimated to cost \$350 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, appearing to read "E. Scott B. Dier".

Enclosures:

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

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DIRECTOR

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House

Committee on International Relations
Committee on Armed Services
Committee on Appropriations

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- (i) **Prospective Purchaser:** Saudi Arabia
- (ii) **Total Estimated Value:**
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| Major Defense Equipment* | \$293 million |
| Other | <u>\$ 57 million</u> |
| TOTAL | \$350 million |
- (iii) **Description and Quantity or Quantities of Articles or Services under Consideration for Purchase:** 24 UH-60L Utility/Assault BLACK HAWK helicopters, spare and repair parts, communications and support equipment, publications and technical data, personnel training and training equipment, contractor engineering and technical support services and other related elements of logistics support.
- (iv) **Military Department:** Army (WTW)
- (v) **Prior Related Cases, if any:**
FMS case VNK - accepted 11Dec90 with a value \$125 million
FMS case VJB - accepted 20Oct87 with a value of \$107 million
- (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:** 20 JUL 2006

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

POLICY JUSTIFICATION**Saudi Arabia - UH-60L UTILITY/ASSAULT BLACK HAWK HELICOPTERS**

The Government of Saudi Arabia has requested a possible sale of 24 UH-60L Utility/Assault BLACK HAWK helicopters, spare and repair parts, communications and support equipment, publications and technical data, personnel training and training equipment, contractor engineering and technical support services and other related elements of logistics support. The estimated cost is \$350 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 friendly country that has been and continues to be an important force for political stability and economic progress in the Middle East.

The Royal Saudi Land Forces (RSLF) have a long-term plan to use these additional BLACK HAWK helicopters to modernize and increase their rotary wing fleet. Saudi forces have used rotary wing assets in numerous anti-terrorism operations within their borders and view their ability to quickly move troops around the country as a critical capability. The helicopters will allow Saudi to exercise a more flexible and maintainable operation for the protection of critical infrastructure. The additional aircraft will primarily be used to move troops and light equipment over long distances within their kingdom for external defense and internal requirements, as needed.

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

The principal contractors will be: Sikorsky Aircraft (United Technologies) Corporation of Stratford, Connecticut and General Electric of Fairfield, Connecticut. There are no known offset agreements proposed in connection with this potential sale.

Implementation of this proposed sale will require the assignment of one Contract Field Support Representative to Saudi Arabia for up to two years, and will require the assignment of several U.S. Government Quality Assurance Teams to Saudi Arabia when the aircraft arrive in country.

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

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Item No. vii**

(vii) Sensitivity of Technology:

1. The Army's BLACK HAWK helicopter system and subsystem equipment (excluding BLACK HAWK systems and subsystem equipment for which the Utility Helicopter Program Office is not the proponent (e.g., MH-60L, M60D, ASE, etc.) is Unclassified.

2. The UH-60L BLACK HAWK helicopter will include the following classified or sensitive components:

a. The Avionics package included in the aircraft configuration contains: HDU-9100 or CDU-700, AN/ARC 210, AN/ARC 201E, and AN/ARC 220(V).

b. The AN/APR-39A(V)1 Radar Warning Receiver (RWR). This equipment receives and displays to the pilot or observer, information concerning the radar environment surrounding the aircraft. This Mission Data Set (MDS) is the classified database and reverse engineering is prohibited. This MDS is country peculiar and the RWR will not work without this piece. Technical manuals are not classified.

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

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

[Transmittal No. 06-24]

36(b)(1) Arms Sales Notification

AGENCY: Department of Defense, Defense Security Cooperation Agency.

ACTION: Notice.

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FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. J. Hurd, DSCA/DBO/ADM, (703) 604-6575.

The following is a copy of a letter to the Speaker of the House of Representatives, Transmittal 06-24 with attached transmittal, policy justification, and Sensitivity of Technology.

Dated: July 24, 2006.

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