

Commission's mailing address or by telephone at 703-699-2950 or 2708.

Dated: July 27, 2005.

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DEFENSE BASE CLOSURE AND REALIGNMENT COMMISSION

Notice of the Defense Base Closure and Realignment Commission—Open Meeting

AGENCY: Defense Base Closure and Realignment Commission.

ACTION: Notice; Defense Base Closure and Realignment Commission—open meeting regarding consideration of certain installations located in the States of Indiana, Maine, North Carolina and Ohio not recommended for closure or realignment by the Secretary of Defense (Washington, DC).

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that a delegation of Commissioners of the Defense Base Closure and Realignment Commission will hold an open meeting on August 10, 2005 from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at Senate Hart Hearing Room 216, Constitution Avenue, Washington, DC 20510. The delay of this change notice resulted from the short time-frame established by statute for the operations of the Defense Base Closure and Realignment Commission and the necessity of coordinating this meeting with Federal, State and local government officials. The Commission requests that the public consult the 2005 Defense Base Closure and Realignment Commission Web site, <http://www.brac.gov>, for updates.

The Commission delegation will meet to receive comment from Federal, State and local government representatives

and the general public on certain base closure and realignment actions under consideration by the Commission in the States of Indiana, Maine, North Carolina and Ohio that were not recommended by the Department of Defense (DoD). The installations concerned are listed in FR Doc. 05-14596, published in the **Federal Register** of July 22, 2005, on page 42311. The purpose of this regional meeting is to allow communities an opportunity to voice their concerns, counter-arguments, and opinions related to the proposed action in a live public forum. This meeting will be open to the public, subject to the availability of space. Sign language interpretation will be provided. The delegation will not render decisions regarding the DoD recommendations at this meeting, but will gather information for later deliberations by the Commission as a whole.

DATES: August 10, 2005 from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

ADDRESSES: Senate Hart Hearing Room 216, Constitution Avenue, Washington, DC 20510.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Please see the 2005 Defense Base Closure and Realignment Commission Web site, <http://www.brac.gov>. The Commission invites the public to provide direct comment by sending an electronic message through the portal provided on the Commission's Web site or by mailing comments and supporting documents to the 2005 Defense Base Closure and Realignment Commission, 2521 South Clark Street, Suite 600, Arlington, Virginia 22202-3920. The Commission requests that public comments be directed toward matters bearing on the decision criteria described in *The Defense Base Closure and Realignment Act of 1990*, as amended, available on the Commission

Web site. Sections 2912 through 2914 of that Act describe the criteria and many of the essential elements of the 2005 BRAC process. For questions regarding this announcement, contact Mr. Dan Cowhig, Deputy General Counsel and Designated Federal Officer, at the Commission's mailing address or by telephone at 703-699-2950 or 2708.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

[Transmittal No. 05-31]

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. 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 05-31 with attached transmittal and policy justification.

Dated: July 27, 2005.

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DEFENSE SECURITY COOPERATION AGENCY

WASHINGTON, DC 20301-2800

21 JUL 2005

In reply refer to:
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**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. 05-31, concerning the Department of the Air Force's proposed Letter(s) of Offer and Acceptance to Israel for defense articles and services estimated to cost \$600 million. Soon after this letter is delivered to your office, we plan to notify the news media.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Richard J. Millies".

**Richard J. Millies
Deputy Director**

Enclosures:

- 1. Transmittal**
- 2. Policy Justification**

**Same ltr to: House Committee on International Relations
Senate Committee on Foreign Relations
House Committee on Armed Services
Senate Committee on Armed Services
House Committee on Appropriations
Senate Committee on Appropriations**

Transmittal No. 05-31**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:** Israel
- (ii) **Total Estimated Value:**
- | | |
|---------------------------------|----------------------|
| Major Defense Equipment* | \$ 0 million |
| Other | \$600 million |
| TOTAL | \$600 million |

Description and Quantity or Quantities of Articles or Services under Consideration for Purchase: a fleet management program for U.S. Government and contractor management and logistics support of Israeli Air Force F-15 and F-16A/B Pratt and Whitney F-100 model engines, spare and repair parts, support equipment, publications and technical documentation, personnel training and training equipment, U.S. Government and contractor engineering and logistics personnel services and other related elements of logistics support.

Military Department: Air Force (QDG)

Prior Related Cases, if any: none

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

Date Report Delivered to Congress: 21 JUL 2005

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

POLICY JUSTIFICATION

Israel - Fleet Management Program

The Government of Israel has requested a possible sale of a fleet management program for U.S. Government and contractor management and logistics support of Israeli Air Force F-15 and F-16A/B Pratt and Whitney F-100 model engines, spare and repair parts, support equipment, publications and technical documentation, personnel training and training equipment, U.S. Government and contractor engineering and logistics personnel services and other related elements of logistics support. The estimated cost is \$600 million.

This proposed sale will contribute to the foreign policy and national security of the U.S. by helping to improve the security of a friendly country that has been, and continues to be, an important force for economic progress in the Middle East. This proposed sale will help Israel to maintain its qualitative edge by supporting its existing systems, promoting Israeli readiness and self-sufficiency, and standardizing weapon system operability with the U.S. forces.

The Israel fleet management program for U. S. Government management and contractor sustainment support consists of spare parts forecasting, inventory management, and maintenance prioritization to ensure 95 per cent flying hour capability for the existing Israeli Air Force (IAF) fleet of 202 Pratt and Whitney F-100 engines in support of both F-15 and F-16 fleet aircraft for a period of ten (10) years. Contractor support will include, but not be limited to, management, maintenance, support, overhaul, repair, testing, spare and repair parts, support equipment, engineering and technical support, training and other related elements of program support of F-100-PW-100DPI engines installed in IAF F-15 Fighter aircraft and F100-PW-200DPI engines installed in IAF F-16A/B fighter aircraft for a period of ten years.

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

The prime contractor will be Pratt and Whitney of East Hartford, Connecticut. There are no known offset agreements proposed in connection with this potential sale.

Implementation of this proposed sale will require the assignment of 2 U.S. Government and 12 contractor representatives for 10 years to Israel.

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