POLICY JUSTIFICATION

Israel - JP-8 Aviation Jet Fuel

The Government of Israel has requested a possible purchase of JP-8 aviation jet fuel. The estimated cost is \$102 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 which has been, and continues to be, an important force for political stability and economic progress in the Middle East.

The proposed sale of the JP-8 aviation fuel will enable Israel to maintain the operational capability of its aircraft inventory. Israel will have no difficulty absorbing this additional fuel into their armed forces.

The proposed sale of this JP-8 aviation fuel will not affect the basic military balance in the region.

Procurement of the aviation jet fuel will be from the same contractors providing aviation fuel to the U.S. armed forces. 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 Israel.

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

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary [Transmittal No. 04–29]

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/OPS–ADMIN, (703) 604–6575.

The following is a copy of a letter to the Speaker of the House of Representatives, Transmittal 04–29 with attached transmittal and policy justification.

Dated: September 9, 2004.

L. M. Bynum,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEFENSE SECURITY COOPERATION AGENCY

WASHINGTON, DC 20301-2800

7 SEP 2004 In reply refer to: I-04/008581

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. 04-29 and under separate cover the classified annex thereto. This Transmittal concerns the Department of the Army's proposed Letter(s) of Offer and Acceptance to Japan for defense articles and services estimated to cost \$79 million. Soon after this letter is delivered to your office, we plan to notify the news media of the unclassified portion of this Transmittal.

Sincerely,

JEFFREY B. KOHLER LIEUTENANT GENERAL, USAF DIRECTOR

Enclosures:

1. Transmittal No. 04-29

2. Policy Justification

Separate Cover: Classified Annex

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. 04-29

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: Japan
- (ii) Total Estimated Value:

Major Defense Equipment* \$78 million
Other \$\frac{1}{2}\$ million
TOTAL \$79 million

- (iii) Description and Quantity or Quantities of Articles or Services under
 Consideration for Purchase: 20 PATRIOT Advanced Capability-3 (PAC-3)
 (10 packs containing 2 missiles each) guided missiles, support equipment,
 modification kits, fire solution computer, publications, personnel training,
 spare and repair parts, supply support, U.S. Government and contractor
 technical assistance and other related elements of logistics support.
- (iv) Military Department: Army (WYN)
- (v) Prior Related Cases, if any: none
- (vi) Sales Commission, Fee, etc., Paid, Offered, or Agreed to be Paid: none
- (vii) <u>Sensitivity of Technology Contained in the Defense Article or Defense Services</u>

 <u>Proposed to be Sold</u>: See Annex under separate cover.
- (viii) Date Report Delivered to Congress: 7 SEP 2004

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

POLICY JUSTIFICATION

Japan - PATRIOT Advanced Capability-3 (PAC-3) Guided Missiles

The Government of Japan has requested a possible sale of 20 PATRIOT Advanced Capability-3 (PAC-3) (10 packs containing 2 missiles each) guided missiles, support equipment, modification kits, fire solution computer, publications, personnel training, spare and repair parts, supply support, U.S. Government and contractor technical assistance and other related elements of logistics support. The estimated cost is \$79 million.

Japan is one of the major political and economic powers in East Asia and the Western Pacific and a key ally of the United States in ensuring the peace and stability of that region. It is vital to the U.S. national interest to assist Japan to develop and maintain a strong and ready self-defense capability, which will contribute to an acceptable military balance in the area. This proposed sale is consistent with these U.S. objectives and with the 1960 Treaty of Mutual Cooperation and Security.

This proposed sale is in support of a PATRIOT PAC-3 ground systems co-production program. The proposed sale will provide Japan with an effective, state-of-the-art, antitactical missile capability and will greatly improve the defense posture of Japan. Japan will have no difficulty absorbing these PAC-3 missiles into its inventory.

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

The prime contractor will be Lockheed-Martin in Dallas, Texas. There are no known offset agreements proposed in connection with this potential sale.

Implementation of this proposed sale will require the assignment of two U.S. Government and eight contractor representatives to Japan following delivery of the missiles.

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

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary [Transmittal No. 04–22]

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/OPS-ADMIN, (703) 604-6575.

The following is a copy of a letter to the Speaker of the House of Representatives, Transmittal 04–22 with attached transmittal and policy justification.

Dated: September 9, 2004.

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