FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Paul J. Howard, Executive Director, New England Fishery Management Council; (978) 465–0492.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

#### Meeting Dates and Agendas

Monday, June 2, 2003 at 9:30 a.m.— Enforcement Oversight and Advisory Panel Meeting.

Location: Urban Forestry Center, 45 Elwyn Road, Portsmouth, NH 03801; telephone: (603) 431–6774.

The committee will review habitat enforcement analyses for groundfish, scallops, and monkfish. The committee will also discuss the enforcement aspects of allowing fishing vessels to land fish, harvested on the same trip, at multiple ports. Finally, the committee will discuss any other business that comes before it.

Tuesday, June 3, 2003 at 9:30 a.m.— Joint Herring Oversight Committee and Advisory Panel Meeting.

Location: Holiday Inn by the Bay, 88 Spring Street, Portland, ME 04101; telephone: (207) 775–2311.

The panels will review the May 29, 2003 Plan Development Team (PDT) Report. They will develop goals and objectives for Amendment 2 to the Herring Fishery Management Plan. They will also begin development of alternatives for Amendment 2 and provide guidance to the Herring PDT.

Although non-emergency issues not contained in this agenda may come before this group for discussion, those issues may not be the subject of formal action during this meeting. Action will be restricted to those issues specifically listed in this notice and any issues arising after publication of this notice that require emergency action under section 305(c) of the Magnuson-Stevens Act, provided the public has been notified of the Council's intent to take final action to address the emergency.

### **Special Accommodations**

These meetings are physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Paul J. Howard (see ADDRESSES) at least 5 days prior to the meeting dates.

Dated: May 13, 2003.

#### Richard W. Surdi,

Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service. [FR Doc. 03–12468 Filed 5–16–03; 8:45 am]

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#### **DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**

#### Office of the Secretary

# Proposed Collection; Comment Request

**AGENCY:** Department of Defense, Office of the Deputy Under Secretary of Defense (Installations and Environment).

ACTION: Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Office of the Assistant Deputy Under Secretary of Defense (Environmental) announces the proposed extension of a public information collection and seeks public comment on the provisions thereof. Comments are invited on (a) whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed information collection; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the information collection on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology. **DATES:** Consideration will be given to all comments received by July 18, 2003. ADDRESSES: Written comments and recommendations on the proposed information collection should be sent to the Office of the Deputy Under Secretary of Defense (Installations & Environment), Attention: Ms. Patricia Ferrebee, 3400 Defense Pentagon, Washington, 20301-3400.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To request further information on this proposed information collection or to obtain a copy of the proposed and associated collection instruments, please write to the above address, or call Ms. Patricia Ferrebee, Office of the Deputy Under Secretary of Defense (Installations & Environment), (703)

Title, Associated Form, and OMB Number: Technical Assistance for Public Participation (TAPP) Application, DD Form 2749, OMB Control Number 0704–0392.

Needs and Uses: The collection of information is necessary to identify products or services requested by community members of restoration advisory boards or technical review committees to aid in their participation in the Department of Defense's environmental restoration program, and

to meet Congressional reporting requirements.

Affected Public: Not-for profit institutions.

Annual Burden Hours: 100. Number of Respondents: 25. Responses to Respondent: 1. Average Burden per Response: 4 hours.

Frequency: On occasion.

## SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

#### **Summary of Information Collection**

Respondents are community members of restoration advisory boards or technical review committees requesting technical assistance to interpret scientific and engineering issues regarding the nature of environmental hazards at an installation. This assistance will assist communities in participating in the cleanup process. The information, directed by 10 U.S.C. 2705, will be used to determine the eligibility of the proposed project, begin the procurement process to obtain the requested products or services, and determine the satisfaction of community members of restoration advisory boards and technical review communities receiving the products and services.

Dated: May 12, 2003.

#### Patricia L. Toppings,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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#### **DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**

## Office of the Secretary

[Transmittal No. 03-12]

#### 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/COMPT/RM, (703) 604–6575.

The following is a copy of a letter to the Speaker of the House of Representatives, Transmittal 03–12 with attached transmittal, policy justification, and Sensitivity of Technology. Dated: May 9, 2003. **Patricia L. Toppings,**Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison
Officer, Department of Defense.

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#### **DEFENSE SECURITY COOPERATION AGENCY**

**WASHINGTON, DC 20301-2800** 

1 MAY 2003 In reply refer to: I-03/003125

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 (AECA), as amended, we are forwarding herewith Transmittal No. 03-12,

concerning the Department of the Air Force's proposed Letter(s) of Offer and

Acceptance (LOA) to Singapore for defense articles and services estimated to cost \$148

million. Soon after this letter is delivered to your office, we plan to notify the news

media.

Sincerely,

TOME H. WALTERS, JR. LIEUTENANT GENERAL, USAF DIRECTOR

**Attachments** 

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. 03-12

# Notice of Proposed Issuance of Letter of Offer Pursuant to Section 36(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act, as amended

- (i) <u>Prospective Purchaser</u>: Singapore
- (ii) <u>Total Estimated Value</u>:

Major Defense Equipment\* \$ 29 million
Other \$119 million
TOTAL \$148 million

- (iii) Description and Quantity or Quantities of Articles or Services under
  Consideration for Purchase: continuation of CONUS pilot proficiency training
  program for PEACE CARVIN II and munitions, services and support for
  F-16C/D aircraft which includes: 9 AIM-9 Sidewinder coolant bottles, 105,000
  20mm cartridges, 57 AGM-65G Maverick missiles, 228 GBU-10 and 114
  GBU-12J/B guided bomb units, aircraft modifications kits, maintenance,
  participation in joint training exercises, fuel and fueling services, supply support,
  flight training, spare/repair parts, support equipment, program management,
  publications, documentation, personnel training, training equipment, contractor
  technical and logistics personnel services and other related elements of program
  support.
- (iv) Military Department: Air Force (NCV)
- (v) Prior Related Cases, if any: FMS case NCO \$87 million 20Mar99
- (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> Proposed to be Sold: See Annex attached
- (viii) Date Report Delivered to Congress: 1 MAY 2003

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

## **POLICY JUSTIFICATION**

## Singapore - Pilot Training Program with Munitions, Services, and Support

The Government of Singapore has requested a possible sale for continuation of CONUS pilot proficiency training program for PEACE CARVIN II and munitions, services and support for F-16C/D aircraft which includes: 9 AIM-9 Sidewinder coolant bottles, 105,000 20mm cartridges, 57 AGM-65G Maverick missiles, 228 GBU-10 and 114 GBU-12J/B guided bomb units, aircraft modifications kits, maintenance, participation in joint training exercises, fuel and fueling services, supply support, flight training, spare/repair parts, support equipment, program management, publications, documentation, personnel training, training equipment, contractor technical and logistics personnel services and other related elements of program support. The estimated cost is \$148 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 economic progress in Southeast Asia.

Singapore needs these munitions, services and equipment to continue a long-term pilot proficiency training program at Luke Air Force Base, Arizona. This program will enable Singapore to develop mission ready and experienced pilots through its CONUS training program to support Singapore's current and future F-16 aircraft inventory. The long-term pilot training program in CONUS continues a professional interaction and enhances operational interoperability with U.S. forces. These short-range precision munitions will provide Singapore with a credible defense capability while avoiding the collateral damage associated with conventional gravity munitions.

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

There is no prime contractor involved in this program. There are no 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 Singapore.

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

#### Transmittal No. 03-12

## 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 AGM-65G Maverick air-to-ground missile has an overall classification of Secret. The Secret aspects of the Maverick system are tactics, information revealing its vulnerability to countermeasures, and counter-countermeasures.
- 2. Manuals and technical documents which are necessary for operational use and organizational maintenance have portions that are classified Confidential. Performance and operating logic of the countermeasures circuits are Secret.
- 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.
- 4. A determination has been made that Singapore can provide substantially 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.

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#### **DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**

Office of the Secretary [Transmittal No. 03–16]

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Dated: May 12, 2003.

Patricia L. Toppings,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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