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## **Turkey – AGM-84K Joint Standoff Land Attack Missiles-Expanded Response**

Washington, April 28, 2006 - The Defense Security Cooperation Agency notified Congress of a possible Foreign Military Sale to Turkey of 50 AGM-84K Joint Standoff Land Attack Missiles-Expanded Response (SLAM-ER) as well as associated equipment and services. The total value, if all options are exercised, could be as high as \$162 million.

The Government of Turkey has requested a possible sale of 50 AGM-84K Joint Standoff Land Attack Missiles-Expanded Response (SLAM-ER), 4 Captive Air Training Missiles/Dummy/Recoverable Air Test, 5 AWW-13 Advanced Weapon Data Link Pods, containers, 5 Joint Mission Planning Systems, software development/integration, test sets and support equipment, spare and repair parts, publications and technical data, maintenance, personnel training and training equipment, U.S. Government (USG) and contractor representatives, contractor engineering and technical support services, and other related elements of logistics support. The estimated cost is \$162 million.

The Government of Turkey is a political and economic power in Europe and the Middle East, and a partner of the United States in ensuring peace and stability in those regions. It is vital to the U.S. national interest to assist our Turkish ally in developing and maintaining a strong and ready self-defense capability that will contribute to an acceptable military balance in the area. This proposed sale is consistent with those objectives.

Turkey will use the SLAM-ER as a standoff weapon on its F-16 aircraft. The Turkish Air Force (TAF) is highly advanced in aerospace technology and has the capability and skill to fully integrate, operate, and maintain this weapon system. The proposed quantity is adequate to meet the needs of the TAF for NATO and coalition operations. The missiles will be provided in accordance with, and subject to the limitation on use and transfer provided under the Arms Export Control Act, as amended, and as embodied in the Letter of Offer and Acceptance.

This proposed sale will not adversely affect either the military balance in the region or U.S. efforts to encourage a negotiated settlement of the Cyprus question.

The prime contractor will be Boeing Company of St. Louis, Missouri. Although generally the purchaser requires offsets, at this time, there are no known offset agreements proposed in connection with this potential sale.

Implementation of this proposed sale will require assignment of U.S. Government and contractor representatives to Turkey on a temporary basis for program technical/management oversight and support.

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

This notice of a potential sale is required by law; it does not mean that the sale has been concluded.