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United Kingdom – Globemaster III Sustainment Partnership

WASHINGTON, July 2, 2010 – The Defense Security Cooperation Agency notified Congress July 1 of a possible Foreign Military Sale to the United Kingdom for continued participation in the USAF/Boeing Globemaster III Sustainment Partnership, which consists of support for the United Kingdom's fleet of seven Boeing C-17A Globemaster III cargo aircraft and includes associated equipment, parts, training and logistical support for an estimated cost of \$390 million.

The Government of the United Kingdom has requested continued participation in the USAF/Boeing Globemaster III Sustainment Partnership which consists of support for the United Kingdom's fleet of seven Boeing C-17A Globemaster III cargo aircraft, contractor technical and logistics personnel services, support equipment, spare and repair parts, and other related elements of logistics support. The estimated cost is \$390 million.

The United Kingdom is a major political and economic power in NATO and a key democratic partner of the U.S. in ensuring peace and stability in this region and around the world.

The program will ensure the United Kingdom can effectively maintain its current force projection capability that enhances interoperability with U.S. forces. The support will provide UK and other NATO forces with rapid global strategic mobility to deploy to austere locations. The United Kingdom is a staunch supporter of the U.S. in Iraq and Afghanistan and in overseas contingency operations.

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

The principal contractor will be The Boeing Company in Long Beach, California. 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 personnel or contractor representatives to the United Kingdom.

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 and does not mean the sale has been concluded.