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Qatar – AGM-114K3A or AGM-114R3 HELLFIRE Missiles

WASHINGTON, July 12, 2012 – The Defense Security Cooperation Agency notified Congress July 10 of a possible Foreign Military Sale to the Government of Qatar for 700 AGM-114K3A or AGM-114R3 HELLFIRE tactical missiles and associated equipment, parts, training and logistical support for an estimated cost of \$137 million.

The Government of Qatar has requested a possible sale of 700 AGM-114K3A or AGM-114R3 HELLFIRE tactical missiles, 25 training missiles, containers, spare and repair parts, support and test equipment, publications and technical data, personnel and training equipment, U.S. Government and contractor logistics, engineering and technical support, and other related elements of program support. The estimated cost is \$137 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 that has been, and continues to be an important force for political stability and economic progress in the Middle East.

Qatar intends to use these missiles to counter current and future threats. This proposed sale will contribute to Qatar's military goal of updating its Anti-Surface Warfare capability while further enhancing its interoperability with the U.S. and other allies. This capability will serve to deter potential attacks against strategic targets across Qatar, to include infrastructure and resources vital to the security of the U.S.

The proposed sale of this weapon system will not alter the basic military balance in the region.

The prime contractor is Lockheed Martin Corporation in Orlando, Florida and Troy, Alabama. There are no known offset agreements proposed in connection with this sale.

Implementation of this proposed sale will not require the assignment of U.S. Government or contractor representatives to Qatar.

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.