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PAKISTAN – Aerostat L-88 Radar System

On 26 July 2002, the Defense Security Cooperation Agency notified Congress of a possible Foreign Military Sale to Pakistan of Aerostat Radar Systems as well as associated equipment and services. The total value, if all options are exercised, could be as high as \$155 million.

The Government of Pakistan has requested a possible sale of six Aerostat L-88 Radar Systems, spare and repair parts, facility construction and support, publications and technical documentation, personnel training and training equipment, U.S. Government and contractor engineering and logistics personnel services and other related elements of logistics support. The estimated cost is \$155 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 partner in the war on terrorism in South Asia.

The radar systems will add to Pakistan's ability to monitor its western borders in support of OPERATION ENDURING FREEDOM and control narcotics trade activities. Specifically, the radar systems will be used to monitor ground traffic and low-flying aircraft along this border. The Aerostat is a relatively low technology, fixed site system which Pakistan can easily absorb and utilize within its existing structure.

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

The prime contractor will be the Lockheed Martin-Akron of Akron, Ohio and/or TCOM, L.P. of Columbia, Maryland. There are no offset agreements proposed in connection with this potential sale.

Implementation of this proposed sale will require the assignment of eight each U.S. Government and contractor representatives for annual program management and technical reviews to Pakistan.

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.