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Jordan – Command, Control, Communications, Computers, Intelligence, Surveillance, and Reconnaissance System

WASHINGTON, September 28, 2006 - The Defense Security Cooperation Agency notified Congress of a possible Foreign Military Sale to Jordan of a Command, Control, Communications, Computers, Intelligence, Surveillance, and Reconnaissance System as well as associated equipment and services. The total value, if all options are exercised, could be as high as \$ 450 million.

The Government of Jordan has requested a possible sale of a Commercial Off the Shelf (COTS) National Command, Control, Communications, Computers, Intelligence, Surveillance, and Reconnaissance (C4ISR) System. The proposed sale will consist of major improvements to Jordan's military communications in three (3) major areas:

- A C4ISR subsystem capable of serving multiple internal services and agencies within Jordan.
- A communication subsystem comprised of multiple communications segments addressing various communications specific upgrades.
- An Air Defense subsystem capable of early warning of air attack and real-time Command and Control (C2) of national air defense forces.

The major components of the upgraded capability are COTS hardware (HW) and software (SW) that has been exported previously to other United States Allies.

- As part of the C4ISR subsystem, the upgrade will enable increased planning, analysis, as well as quick and effective transmission of intelligence data, operational information, and logistical information to various levels of military and civilian authority in Jordan.
- As a part of the above major communications upgrades, the U.S. will provide facility modifications, as well as logistical and technical support in several areas to include: Establishment of a maintenance facility in Jordan to maintain delivered hardware and software; technical training; and establishment of a Modeling and Simulation Center to enhance the Jordanian ability to train and maintain proficiency with the systems provided and modifications to the current heating, ventilation, and air conditioning (HVAC) environments, as well as HVAC control systems, building lighting, and electric power distribution where necessary.
- The following contains a general description of the types of hardware, software, and services to be provided under this proposed sale:
 - a. Major components of the C4ISR provide capabilities primarily through the use of commercial-off-the-shelf (COTS) software and hardware.

- b. The major components of the communications subsystem will include: 1. The Long Haul Communications (LHC) consisting of upgrades to Jordan's microwave and fiber networks; 2. The Last Mile Communication (LMC) segment linking the LHC segment; 3. Wireless Communications providing connectivity to mobile forces; 4. Radio Frequency (RF) communications for all command levels; and 5. The Tactical Wired Communications at the Company and Platoon levels.
- c. Major components of the Air Defense subsystem upgrade will incorporate third generation air defense software, installation of an industry standard operating system with open architecture and COTS hardware and software, improved workstations and voice switches.

The estimated cost is \$450 million.

The proposed sale will enhance the foreign policy and national security objectives of the United States by improving the security of a key regional partner who has proven to be a vital force for political stability and peace in the Middle East.

Jordan needs this equipment to upgrade its entire C4ISR capability from Platoon/Company through higher echelons to the General Headquarters. These defense articles and services will enable Jordan to more effectively organize its armed forces to be able to respond quickly, effectively, and comprehensively to situations concerning its national security. Jordan will have no difficulty absorbing these articles and services into its armed forces.

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

The prime contractor will be Northrop Grumman Corporation of Linthicum, Maryland and there are no known offset agreements proposed in connection with this potential sale.

The United States Government and contractor representatives will participate in program services and technical reviews during 2006 to 2013. The number of in-country U.S. Government personnel and contractor representatives required to support this program will be determined in joint negotiations as the program proceeds through the development, production, and equipment installation phases.

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.