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Taipei Economic and Cultural Representative Office in the United States – Blanket Order Requisition Case

WASHINGTON, October 3, 2008 – Today the Defense Security Cooperation Agency notified Congress of a possible Foreign Military Sale to Taiwan which provides funds for the establishment of a blanket order requisition case for follow-on spare parts in support of F-5E/F, C-130H, F-16A/B, and Indigenous Defense Fighter IDF aircraft, communication equipment, radar, and other related elements of logistics support. The total value, if all options are exercised, could be as high as \$334 million.

The Taipei Economic and Cultural Representative Office in the United States has requested a proposed sale which provides funds for the establishment of a blanket order requisition case for follow-on spare parts in support of F-5E/F, C-130H, F-16A/B, and Indigenous Defense Fighter IDF aircraft, communication equipment, radar, and other related elements of logistics support. The estimated cost is \$334 million.

This sale is consistent with United States law and policy as expressed in Public Law 96-8.

This proposed sale serves U.S. national economic and security interests by supporting the recipient's continuing efforts to modernize its armed forces and enhance its defensive capability. The proposed sale will help improve the security of the recipient and assist in maintaining political stability, military balance, and economic progress in the region.

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

These spare parts are required to assure that aircraft and aircraft systems previously procured from the United States are maintained in a mission capable status. The recipient will have no difficulty utilizing these additional spare parts.

Procurement of these items will be from the many contractors providing similar items to the U.S. armed forces. There are no 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 and contractor representatives to the recipient.

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.