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**Chile – AN/MPQ-64F1 SENTINEL Radar Systems**

WASHINGTON, November 12, 2009 – The Defense Security Cooperation Agency notified Congress Nov. 10 of a possible Foreign Military Sale to Chile of 6 AN/MPQ-64F1 SENTINEL radar systems, 6 AN/VRC-92E Vehicular Dual Long Range Single Channel Airborne and Ground Radio Systems (SINCGARS) and associated parts, equipment and logistical support worth approximately \$65 million.

The Government of Chile has requested a possible sale of 6 AN/MPQ-64F1 SENTINEL radar systems, 6 AN/VRC-92E Vehicular Dual Long Range Single Channel Airborne and Ground Radio Systems (SINCGARS), spare and repair parts, tool and test equipment, repair and return, software support, support equipment, integration, publications and technical data, personnel training and training equipment, communications equipment, U.S. Government and contractor engineering, technical, and logistics personnel support, and other related elements of logistics support. The estimated cost is \$65 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 force for political stability and economic progress in South America.

Chile intends to use these radars to modernize its armed forces. The Government of Chile intends to expand its existing air defense architecture to counter threats posed by air attack. This will contribute to the Chilean military's goal to update its capability while further enhancing greater interoperability between Chile and the U.S., and among other allies.

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

The principal contractors will be the Thales Raytheon Systems of Fullerton, California, International Telephone and Telegraph of Fort Wayne, Indiana, and American General of South Bend, Indiana. There are no known offset agreements proposed in connection with this potential sale.

Implementation of this proposed sale will require 10 U.S. Government or contractor representatives to travel to Chile for a period of 8 weeks for equipment checkout and training.

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.