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Egypt – Support Package for Fast Missile Craft

On 13 February, the Defense Security Cooperation Agency notified Congress of a possible Foreign Military Sale to Egypt of a support package for fast missile naval craft. The package consists of Harpoon missiles, Phalanx Close-In Weapons Systems (CIWS) and associated equipment and services. The total value, if all options are exercised, could be as high as \$255 Million.

The Government of Egypt has requested a possible sale in support of their Fast Missile Craft Program for 53 RGM-84L-4 Harpoon Block II anti-ship missiles, four PHALANX CIWS, 50,000 rounds of 20mm tungsten ammunition, four AN/SWG-1A Harpoon Shipboard Command Launch Control Systems, spare and repair parts, support equipment, publications, U.S. Government and contractor technical and logistics personnel services and other related elements of logistics support. The estimated cost is \$255 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. This sale is consistent with these U.S. objectives and with the 1950 Treaty of Mutual Cooperation and Security.

The Fast Missile Craft will be acquired by direct commercial sale and notified by a separate 36(c) notification. These additional systems, which are to be installed on the Fast Missile Craft, will allow Egypt to maintain its current defensive capability. Egypt currently has CIWS and Harpoon missiles in their inventory and will have no difficulty absorbing these additional weapons systems.

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

The principal contractors will be The Boeing Company of St. Charles, Missouri and Raytheon Company of Tucson, Arizona. There are no offset agreements proposed in connection with this potential sale.

Implementation of this proposed sale will require the assignment of four contractor representatives for the follow-on technical support services to Egypt.

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.