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United Arab Emirates – Sale of Harpoon Missiles

On 25 October, the Defense Security Cooperation Agency notified Congress of a possible Foreign Military Sale to the United Arab Emirates of Harpoon anti-ship missiles and associated equipment and services.

The Government of United Arab Emirates (UAE) has requested a possible sale of 12 RGM-84L HARPOON Block II missiles with containers, maintenance training and equipment, spare and repair parts, training, shipboard equipment, support and test equipment, publications, U.S. Government and contractor technical assistance and other related elements of logistics support. The estimated cost is \$40 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 the Middle East.

The proposed sale of the RGM-84L HARPOON Block II missiles will provide the UAE with a more capable anti-surface warfare capability, thus providing a competent first line defense against hostile forces threatening United States interests in the region. The platform for these anti-ship missiles will be the two Kortenaer class frigates that the UAE obtained from the Netherlands. The UAE will have no difficulty absorbing these additional missiles into its inventory for use in the defense of its coastline and surrounding islands.

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

The prime contractor will be The Boeing Company of St. Louis, Missouri. There are no offset agreements proposed in connection with this potential sale.

Implementation of this proposed sale will require the assignment of five to seven U.S. Government and contractor representatives to support this program for two years.

There will be no adverse impact on U.S. defense readiness as a result of this proposed sale.