

**DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**

**Office of the Secretary**

[Transmittal No. 00-18]

**36(b)(1) Arms Sales Notification**

**AGENCY:** Department of Defense, Defense Security Cooperation Agency.

**ACTION:** Notice.

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**SUMMARY:** The Department of Defense is publishing the unclassified text of a section 36(b)(1) arms sales notification. This is published to fulfill the requirements of section 155 of Public Law 104-164 dated 21 July 1996.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ms. J. Hurd, DSCA/COMPT/RM, (703) 604-6575.

The following is a copy of a letter to the Speaker of the House of Representatives, Transmittal 00-18 with attached transmittal, policy justification, and Sensitivity of Technology.

Dated: November 15, 1999.

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## DEFENSE SECURITY COOPERATION AGENCY

WASHINGTON, DC 20301-2800

**3 NOV 1999**  
**In reply refer to:**  
**I-99/013561**

**Honorable J. Dennis Hastert**  
**Speaker of the House of**  
**Representatives**  
**Washington, D.C. 20515-6501**

**Dear Mr. Speaker:**

**Pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act, we are forwarding herewith Transmittal No. 00-18, concerning the Department of the Navy's proposed Letter(s) of Offer and Acceptance (LOA) to United Kingdom for defense articles and services estimated to cost \$50 million. Soon after this letter is delivered to your office, we plan to notify the news media.**

**Sincerely,**

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "M. Davison".

**MICHAEL S. DAVISON, JR.**  
**LIEUTENANT GENERAL, USA**  
**DIRECTOR**

**Attachments**

**Same ltr to: House Committee on International Relations**  
**Senate Committee on Appropriations**  
**Senate Committee on Foreign Relations**  
**House Committee on National Security**  
**Senate Committee on Armed Services**  
**House Committee on Appropriations**

**Transmittal No. 00-18****Notice of Proposed Issuance of Letter of Offer  
Pursuant to Section 36(b)(1)  
of the Arms Export Control Act**

- (i) **Prospective Purchaser: United Kingdom**
- (ii) **Total Estimated Value:**

<b>Major Defense Equipment*</b>	<b>\$ 45 million</b>
<b>Other</b>	<b>\$ <u>5 million</u></b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 50 million</b>
- (iii) **Description of Articles or Services Offered: Twenty conventionally armed TOMAHAWK BLOCK IIIC Land Attack Missiles (TLAM), containers, engineering technical assistance, spare and repair parts, and other related elements of logistics support**
- (iv) **Military Department: Navy (AHB)**
- (v) **Sales Commission, Fee, etc., Paid, Offered, or Agreed to be Paid: None**
- (vi) **Sensitivity of Technology Contained in the Defense Article or Defense Services Proposed to be Sold: See Annex attached**
- (vii) **Date Report Delivered to Congress: 03 NOV 1999**

**POLICY JUSTIFICATION****United Kingdom - TOMAHAWK BLOCK IIC Land Attack Missiles**

The Government of United Kingdom has requested a possible sale of 20 conventionally armed TOMAHAWK BLOCK IIC Land Attack Missiles (TLAM), containers, engineering technical assistance, spare and repair parts, and other related elements of logistics support. The estimated cost is \$50 million.

This proposed sale will contribute to the foreign policy and national security of the United States by improving the military capabilities of United Kingdom and enhancing weapon system standardization and interoperability of this important NATO ally.

The United Kingdom needs these missiles to augment their present operational inventory and to enhance their submarine launched capability. The missiles will enhance United Kingdom operational effectiveness in support of NATO. The United Kingdom, which already has TOMAHAWK missiles in its inventory, will have no difficulty absorbing these additional missiles.

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

The prime contractor will be Raytheon Missile Systems Company, Tucson, Arizona. 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 United Kingdom.

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

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of the Arms Export Control Act****Annex  
Item No. vi****(vi) Sensitivity of Technology:**

**1. The conventionally armed TOMAHAWK BLOCK IIC Land Attack Missile (TLAM) consists of the following classified components:**

**a. The TOMAHAWK missile (Complete) - Guidance Set, Digital Scene Matching Area Correlator (DSMAC) Global Positioning System (GPS) when software is installed, Data Link when software/firmware is installed, Common Missile Radar Altimeter (CMRA), Operational Flight Software as well as DSMAC and GPS flight software.**

**2. If a technologically advanced adversary were to obtain knowledge of the specific hardware and software elements, the information could be used to develop countermeasures which might reduce weapon system effectiveness. The consequences of loss of this technology to a technologically advanced or competent adversary could result in the development of countermeasures or equivalent systems which could reduce weapons system effectiveness or be used in the development of a system which similar advanced capabilities.**

**3. A determination has been made that United Kingdom can provide substantially the same degree of protection for this technology as the U.S. Government. This sale is necessary in furtherance of the U.S. foreign policy and national security objectives outlined in the Policy Justification.**