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Annex Item No. vi

(vi) Sensitivity of Technology:

- 1. The UH-60L BLACKHAWK helicopter is Unclassified. The highest level of classified information required to be released for training, operation and maintenance of the BLACKHAWK is Confidential. The highest level which could be revealed through reverse engineering or testing of the end item is Confidential.
- 2. A determination has been made that Thailand can provide substantially the same degree of protection for the sensitive technology being released 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.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary [Transmittal No. 00-50]

36(b)(1) Arms Sales Notification

AGENCY: Department of Defense, Defense Security Cooperation Agency.

ACTION: Notice.

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 P.L. 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 00–50 with attached transmittal and policy justification.

Dated: July 26, 2000.

Patricia L. Toppings,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEFENSE SECURITY COOPERATION AGENCY

WASHINGTON, DC 20301-2800

10 JUL 2000 In reply refer to: I-00/007451

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. 00-50, 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 \$75 million. Soon after this

letter is delivered to your office, we plan to notify the news media.

Sincerely,

A.R. KEUIZ

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

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- (i) <u>Prospective Purchaser</u>: United Kingdom
- (ii) Total Estimated Value:

Major Defense Equipment* \$ 0 million
Other \$75 million
TOTAL \$75 million

- (iii) <u>Description of Articles or Services Offered</u>: Logistics support for TOMAHAWK BLOCK III Land Attack Missiles (TLAM) including maintenance and repair services, spare and repair parts, software/hardware modifications, contractor technical assistance, test equipment, publications and technical documentation, and other related elements.
- (iv) Military Department: Navy (GXQ)
- (v) Sales Commission, Fee, etc., Paid, Offered, or Agreed to be Paid: None
- (vi) <u>Sensitivity of Technology Contained in the Defense Article or Defense</u> <u>Services Proposed to be Sold:</u> None
- (vii) Date Report Delivered to Congress: 10 JUL 2000

^{*} as defined in Section 47(6) of the Arms Export Control Act.

POLICY JUSTIFICATION

United Kingdom - Logistics Support for TOMAHAWK Block III Land Attack Missiles

The Government of United Kingdom has requested a possible sale of logistics support for TOMAHAWK BLOCK III Land Attack Missiles (TLAM) including maintenance and repair services, spare and repair parts, software/hardware modifications, contractor technical assistance, test equipment, publications and technical documentation, and other related elements. The estimated cost is \$75 million.

This proposed sale will contribute to the foreign policy and national security objectives of the United States by maintaining the military capabilities of United Kingdom while enhancing weapon system standardization and interoperability.

The United Kingdom needs this logistics support to maintain the operational level of its TLAM in NATO mission commitments. The United Kingdom will have no difficulty absorbing this additional logistics support in their armed forces.

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

The equipment and services will be provided by multiple U.S. Government and contractor representatives. There are no offset agreements proposed in connection with this potential sale.

Implementation of this proposed sale will require the assignment of an U.S. Government representative to United Kingdom for a period of up to five years. There may be several U.S. Government and contractor representative for one week intervals annually to participate in program review and technical assistance.

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

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