

POLICY JUSTIFICATION

Iraq –Light Armored Vehicles

The Government of Iraq has requested a possible sale of 400 M1126 STRYKER Infantry Carrier Vehicles (ICVs) or 400 M1117 Armored Security Vehicles (ASVs), 400 M2 HB 50 cal Browning Machine Guns, 8 Heavy Duty Recovery Trucks, spare and repair parts, support equipment, publications and technical data, personnel training and training equipment, contractor engineering and technical support services, and other related elements of logistics support. The estimated cost is \$1.110 billion.

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. This proposed sale directly supports the Iraq government and serves the interests of the Iraqi people and the U.S.

The proposed sale of the Stryker ICVs, along with the munitions and support vehicles, will be used to develop a viable police force which will ensure that Iraq Army can sustain themselves in their efforts to bring stability to Iraq and to prevent overflow of unrest into neighboring countries.

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

The principal contractor is General Dynamics Land Systems Defense Group in Sterling Heights, Michigan. There are no known offset agreements proposed in connection with this potential sale.

With the volume and wide range of items and equipment in this proposed sale, levels of U.S. Government and Contractor technical assistance will be required but cannot be fully defined at this time. The use of existing, deployed U.S. military personnel will be maximized.

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

Dated: December 22, 2008.

Patricia L. Toppings,
OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer,
Department of Defense.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

[Transmittal Nos. 09-06]

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 Public Law 104-164 dated 21 July 1996.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. B. English, DSCA/DBO/CFM, (703) 601-3740.

The following is a copy of a letter to the Speaker of the House of Representatives, Transmittals 09-06 with attached transmittal, and policy justification.

Dated: December 22, 2008.

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ARLINGTON, VA 22202-5408**

DEC 09 2008

**The Honorable Nancy Pelosi
Speaker of the House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515-6501**

Dear Madam Speaker:

Pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act, as amended, we are forwarding herewith Transmittal No. 09-06, concerning the Department of the Air Force's proposed Letter(s) of Offer and Acceptance to Iraq for defense articles and services estimated to cost \$210 million. After this letter is delivered to your office, we plan to issue a press statement to notify the public of this proposed sale.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jeffrey A. Wieringa".

**Jeffrey A. Wieringa
Vice Admiral, USN
Director**

Enclosures:

- 1. Transmittal**
- 2. Policy Justification**
- 3. Regional Balance (Classified Document Provided Under Separate Cover)**

Same ltr to:

House

**Committee on Foreign Affairs
Committee on Armed Services
Committee on Appropriations**

Senate

**Committee on Foreign Relations
Committee on Armed Services
Committee on Appropriations**

Transmittal No. 09-06

**Notice of Proposed Issuance of Letter of Offer
Pursuant to Section 36(b)(1)
of the Arms Export Control Act, as amended**

- (i) **Prospective Purchaser:** Iraq
- (ii) **Total Estimated Value:**
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| Major Defense Equipment* | \$135 million |
| Other | <u>\$ 75 million</u> |
| TOTAL | \$210 million |
- (iii) **Description and Quantity or Quantities of Articles or Services under Consideration for Purchase:** 20 T-6A Texan aircraft, 20 Global Positioning Systems (GPS) with CMA-4124 GNSSA card and Embedded GPS/Inertial Navigation System (INS) spares, ferry maintenance, tanker support, aircraft ferry services, site survey, unit level trainer, spare and repair parts, support and test equipment, publications and technical documentation, personnel training and training equipment, contractor technical and logistics personnel services, and other related elements of logistics support.
- (iv) **Military Department:** Air Force (SAD)
- (v) **Prior Related Cases, if any:** none
- (vi) **Sales Commission, Fee, etc., Paid, Offered, or Agreed to be Paid:** none
- (vii) **Sensitivity of Technology Contained in the Defense Article or Defense Services Proposed to be Sold:** none
- (viii) **Date Report Delivered to Congress:** DEC 09 2008

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

POLICY JUSTIFICATION

Iraq – T-6A Texan Aircraft

The Government of Iraq has requested a possible sale of 20 T-6A Texan aircraft, 20 Global Positioning Systems (GPS) with CMA-4124 GNSSA card and Embedded GPS/Inertial Navigation System (INS) spares, ferry maintenance, tanker support, aircraft ferry services, site survey, unit level trainer, spare and repair parts, support and test equipment, publications and technical documentation, personnel training and training equipment, contractor technical and logistics personnel services, and other related elements of logistics support. The estimated cost is \$210 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. This proposed sale directly supports the Iraq government and serves the interests of the Iraq people and the U.S., as well as offering hope for a more stable and peaceful Middle East.

The Iraq Air Force's (IAF) current trainer fleet consists of Cessna 172 Skyhawks and Cessna 208B Caravans. The IAF needs to supplement or replace its current trainer fleet with these new aircraft to modernize its air force and to facilitate its transition to the AT-6 light-attack aircraft.

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

The principal contractors will be:

Hawker Beechcraft Corporation, Wichita, Kansas
Pratt & Whitney Corporation, Quebec, Canada and Bridgeport, West Virginia
Martin Baker, Middlesex, United Kingdom
Hartzel Propeller, Pique, Ohio
Canadian Marconi, Broken Arrow, Oklahoma
L-3 Vertex, Madison, Mississippi

There are no known offset agreements proposed in connection with this potential sale.

Implementation of this proposed sale will require multiple trips to Iraq involving U.S. Government and contractor representatives for technical reviews/support, program management, and training over a period of 10 years.

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