

FMS Case YAB \$156M SEP 98, MAY 01
FMS Case YAC \$874M SEP 98, MAY 01,
DEC 07, DEC 09, JUN 11

FMS Case AAC \$13M JUN 11

FMS Case AAD \$11.8M JAN 15

FMS Case AAE \$130M MAY15

(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:* See Attached Annex

(viii) *Date Report Delivered to Congress:* 04 NOV 2015

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

POLICY JUSTIFICATION

United Arab Emirates (UAE) Joint Direct Attack Munitions (JDAM), Sustainment and Support

The United Arab Emirates requested approval to procure 3250 GBU-31V1 (KMU-556 JDAM kit) with 3250 MK-84/BLU-117 bombs, 750 GBU-31V3 (KMU-557 JDAM kit) with 750 BLU-109 bombs, 1000 GBU-12 with 1002 MK-82/BLU-111 bombs, 4,250 FMU-152 fuzes, and 216 GBU-24 tail kits (BSU-84). The sale also includes non-MDE related munitions items (fuzes and bomb components), sustainment, and support. The estimated total case value is \$380 million.

This proposed sale contributes to the foreign policy and national security of the United States by helping the UAE remain an active member of the OPERATION INHERENT RESOLVE (OIR) coalition working to defeat the Islamic State in Iraq and Levant (ISIL) and as part of the Saudi-led coalition to restore the legitimate government in Yemen. These munitions will sustain the UAE's efforts and support a key partner that remains an important force for political stability and economic progress in the Middle East.

The proposed sale provides the UAE additional precision guided munitions capability to meet the current threat. The UAE continues to provide host-nation support of vital U.S. forces stationed at Al Dhafra Air Base and plays a vital role in supporting U.S. regional interests. The UAE was a valued partner and an active participant in OPERATION IRAQI FREEDOM (OIF), OPERATION ENDURING FREEDOM (OEF), OPERATION UNIFIED PROTECTOR (OUP), and now is a valued partner in OIR coalition operations.

The proposed sale will not alter the basic military balance in the region.

The prime contractors will be determined during the contracting process. There are no known offset

agreements proposed in connection with this potential sale.

Implementation of this sale entails periodic Program Management Reviews in the United States or UAE. There are no additional U.S. Government or contractor representatives anticipated to be stationed in the UAE as a result of this potential sale.

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

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(vii) *Sensitivity of Technology:*

1. GBU-31 Joint Direct Attack

Munition (JDAM) is a 2000-lb guidance tail kit that converts unguided free-fall bombs into accurate, Global Positioning System (GPS)-guided adverse weather "smart" munitions. With the addition of a new tail section that contains an inertial navigational system (INS) and a GPS guidance control unit, JDAM improves the accuracy of unguided, general-purpose (GP) bombs in any weather condition. The GBU-31V1 contains a KMU-556 JDAM tail, a general purpose 2000-lb BLU-117 or MK-84 bomb body and a fuse. The GBU-31V3 contains a KMU-557 JDAM tail, a 2000-lb BLU-109 penetrator bomb body and a fuse. The highest classification for the JDAM, its components, and technical data is SECRET. In addition to the JDAM tail kit, access to accurate target coordinates, INS/GPS capability, and operational test and evaluation plan are essential for successful employment.

2. GBU-12 is a 500-lb laser-guided ballistic bomb (LGB). The LGB is a maneuverable, free-fall weapon that guides to a spot of laser energy reflected off of the target. The LGB is delivered like a normal GP warhead and the semi-active guidance corrects for many of the normal errors inherent in any delivery system. Laser designation for the weapon can be provided by a variety of laser target markers or designators. The GBU-12 LGB consists of a laser guidance kit, a computer control group (CCG) and a warhead specific Air Foil Group (AFG), that attach to the nose and tail of MK-82 or BLU-111 500-lb GP bomb body and a fuse. The overall weapon is CONFIDENTIAL.

3. GBU-24 is a 2000-lb laser-guided ballistic bomb (LGB). The LGB is a maneuverable, free-fall weapon that guides to a spot of laser energy reflected off of the target. The LGB is delivered

like a normal GP warhead and the semi-active guidance corrects for many of the normal errors inherent in any delivery system. Laser designation for the weapon can be provided by a variety of laser target markers or designators. The GBU-24 LGB consists of a laser guidance kit, a computer control group (CCG) and a warhead specific BSU-84 Air Foil Group (AFG), that attaches to the tail of a MK-84 or BLU-117 2000-lb GP bomb body. The overall weapon is SECRET.

4. 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 or be used in the development of a system with similar or advanced capabilities.

5. A determination has been made that the recipient country can provide substantially the same degree of protection of sensitive technology being released as the U.S. Government. This sale is necessary in furtherance of U.S. foreign policy and national security objectives outlined in the Policy Justification. All defense articles and services listed in this transmittal have been authorized for release and export to the United Arab Emirates.

6. This sale is necessary in furtherance of the U.S. foreign policy and national security objectives outlined in the Policy Justification. Moreover, the benefits to be derived from this sale, as outlined in the Policy Justification, outweigh the potential damage that could result if the sensitive technology were revealed to unauthorized persons.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

[Transmittal No. 15-56]

36(b)(1) Arms Sales Notification

AGENCY: Defense Security Cooperation Agency, Department of Defense.

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 July 21, 1996.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Sarah A. Ragan or Heather N. Harwell, DSCA/LMO, (703) 604-1546/(703) 607-5339.

The following is a copy of a letter to the Speaker of the House of Representatives, Transmittal 15-56 with

attached Policy Justification and Sensitivity of Technology.

Dated: November 23, 2015.

Aaron Siegel,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.



DEFENSE SECURITY COOPERATION AGENCY

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The Honorable Paul D. Ryan
Speaker of the House
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

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Dear Mr. 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. 15-56, concerning the Department of the Navy's proposed Letter(s) of Offer and Acceptance to the Government of Kuwait for defense articles and services estimated to cost \$115 million. After this letter is delivered to your office, we plan to issue a news release to notify the public of this proposed sale.

Sincerely,

J. W. Rixey
Vice Admiral, USN
Director

Enclosures:

1. Transmittal
2. Policy Justification
3. Sensitivity of Technology
4. Regional Balance (Classified Document Provided Under Separate Cover)



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Transmittal No. 15-56

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- (i) *Prospective Purchaser:* The Government of Kuwait
- (ii) *Total Estimated Value:*

Major Defense Equipment* ..	\$ 50 million
Other	\$ 65 million
TOTAL	\$ 115 million

(iii) *Description and Quantity or Quantities of Articles or Services Under Consideration for Purchase:*

Major Defense Equipment (MDE):
Fourteen (14) AN/AAQ-33 Sniper Advanced Targeting Pods (ATP)

Non-MDE items included in this request are associated equipment, spares, accessories, and airworthiness certification. The sale will include the integration of the ATPs on the purchaser's F/A-18 aircraft along with improvements in the on-board mission computer software suites. Also included in this request are systems integration and testing, software development/integration, test sets, support equipment, spares, repair parts, maintenance and pilot training, publications and technical documents, U.S. Government and contractor technical assistance, and other related elements of logistics, engineering and program support.

(iv) *Military Department:* Navy and Air Force (XX-P-LCI)

(v) *Prior Related Cases, if any:* None

(vi) *Sales Commission, Fee, etc., Paid, Offered, or Agreed to be Paid:* Offset agreements associated with this proposed sale are expected and will be determined during negotiations between the purchaser and contractor.

(vii) *Sensitivity of Technology Contained in the Defense Article or Defense Services Proposed to be Sold:* See Attached Annex

(viii) *Date Report Delivered to Congress:* 04 NOV 2015

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POLICY JUSTIFICATION

The Government of Kuwait—Sniper Advanced Targeting Pods (ATP)

The Government of Kuwait has requested a possible sale of:

Major Defense Equipment (MDE):
Fourteen (14) AN/AAQ-33 Sniper Advanced Targeting Pods (ATP)

Non-MDE items included in this request are associated equipment, spares, accessories, and airworthiness certification. The sale will include the above system integration on the purchaser's F/A-18 aircraft along with improvements in the on-board mission computer software suites. Operational support for these modifications will be provided through upgrades. Also included in this request are systems integration and testing, software development/integration, test sets, support equipment, spares, repair parts, maintenance and pilot training, publications and technical documents, U.S. Government and contractor technical assistance, and other related elements of logistics, engineering and program support. The estimated cost of

MDE is \$50 million. The total estimated cost is \$115 million.

Kuwait has requested the Sniper ATP due to its compatibility with the latest precision-guided weapons and capability of detecting, identifying, and engaging multiple moving and fixed targets in air-to-air and air-to-ground engagements. Integration of the Sniper ATP on Kuwait's F/A-18 aircraft would enhance its ability to protect itself against possible aggression from foreign forces.

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. Kuwait plays a large role in U.S. efforts to advance stability in the Middle East, providing basing, access, and transit for U.S. forces in the region.

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

The principal contractor will be Lockheed Martin Missile and Fire Control, Orlando, Florida.

Offset agreements associated with this proposed sale are expected and will be determined during negotiations between the purchaser and contractor.

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

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(vii) *Sensitivity of Technology:*

1. The hardware and software being purchased is being used to upgrade the customer country's existing F/A-18C/D Hornet aircraft. Description and classification of the hardware and software being purchased are detailed in the following paragraphs.

2. The Sniper Advanced Targeting Pod (ATP), designated AN/AAQ-33, provides positive target identification, autonomous tracking, coordinate generation, and precise weapons guidance from extended standoff ranges. The latest version of the Sniper ATP provides an enhanced capability using new sensors, a two-way data link, advanced processors and automated non-traditional intelligence, surveillance and reconnaissance modes.

3. A software upgrade to the Kuwait F/A-18 Mission Computer Operational Flight Program (OFP) software will be

required to ensure that flight crews receive full capability of the Sniper ATP. The OFP will be upgraded at the Naval Air Warfare Center Weapons Division at China Lake, California, as part of continuing support of the Kuwait Air Force F/A-18 program.

4. The Sniper ATP will provide classified SECRET data to the Kuwait Air Force. Some technical information is classified SECRET because it describes the limitations and effectiveness of both the aircraft and its capabilities.

5. If a technologically advanced adversary were to obtain knowledge of the specific hardware or software in this proposed sale, the information could be used to develop countermeasures which might reduce weapon system effectiveness or be used in the development of a system with similar or advanced capabilities.

6. A determination has been made that the recipient country can provide the same degree of protection for the classified and 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. All defense articles and services listed in this transmittal have been authorized for release and export to the Government of Kuwait. [FR Doc. 2015-30185 Filed 11-25-15; 8:45 am]

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Bonneville Power Administration

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request; Badge Replacement Request Form

AGENCY: Bonneville Power Administration (BPA), DOE.

ACTION: Notice of submission of information collection approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995, this notice announces that the Bonneville Power Administration (BPA) will submit the collection abstracted below to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and comment. The PRA submission describes the nature of the information collection and its expected cost and burden and includes the actual collection instrument.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before December 29, 2015.