

[Transmittal No. 96-71]

36(b) Notification; Arms Sales

AGENCY: Department of Defense, Defense Security Assistance Agency.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of Defense is publishing the unclassified text of a

section 36(b) arms sales notification. This is published to fulfill the requirements of section 155 of Pub. L. 104-164 dated July 1996.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. A. Urban, DSAA/COMPT/FPD, (703) 604-6575

The following is a copy of the letter to the Speaker of the House of

Representatives, Transmittal 96-71, with attached transmittal and policy justification pages.

Dated: September 18, 1996.

L.M. Bynum,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEFENSE SECURITY ASSISTANCE AGENCY

WASHINGTON, DC 20301-2800

12 SEP 1996

In reply refer to:
I-04248/96ct

Honorable Newt Gingrich
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. 96-71, concerning the Department of the Army's proposed Letter(s) of Offer and Acceptance (LOA) to Colombia for defense articles and services estimated to cost \$169 million. Soon after this letter is delivered to your office, we plan to notify the news media.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "H. Diehl McKalip", is positioned below the word "Sincerely,".

H. Diehl McKalip
Acting 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

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

- (i) Prospective Purchaser: Colombia
- (ii) Total Estimated Value:
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| Major Defense Equipment* | \$ 149 million |
| Other | \$ <u>20 million</u> |
| TOTAL | \$ 169 million |
- (iii) Description of Articles or Services Offered:
Twelve UH-60L utility helicopters, four spare T700 GE engines, 24 M60D door mounted machine guns, 920,000 rounds of 7.62MM (M80) ammunition, special test and ground support equipment, special tools and diagnostic equipment, spare and repair parts, publications and technical documentation, personnel training and training equipment and U.S. Government and contractor technical and support services; follow-on support to include repair and overhaul of major helicopter components and assemblies, long term supply support, update of publications and technical documentation and other related elements of logistics to ensure long term supportability of the program.
- (iv) Military Department: Army (UTN)
- (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:
None
- (vii) Date Report Delivered to Congress: **12 SEP 1996**

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

POLICY JUSTIFICATIONColombia - UH-60L Utility Helicopters

The Government of Colombia has requested the purchase of 12 UH-60L utility helicopters, four spare T700 GE engines, 24 M60D door mounted machine guns, 920,000 rounds of 7.62MM(M80) ammunition, special test and ground support equipment, special tools and diagnostic equipment, spare and repair parts, publications and technical documentation, personnel training and training equipment and U.S. Government and contractor technical and support services; follow-on support to include repair and overhaul of major helicopter components and assemblies, long term supply support, update of publications and technical documentation and other related elements of logistics to ensure long term supportability of the program. The estimated cost is \$169 million.

This sale will contribute to the foreign policy and national security of the United States by helping Colombia improve its capability to fight the war on drugs. These 12 helicopters will be in addition to 14 already delivered.

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

The prime contractor will be United Technology, Sikorsky Aircraft, Stratford, Connecticut. There are no offset agreements proposed to be entered into in connection with this potential sale.

Implementation of this sale will not require the assignment of any additional U.S. Government personnel or contractor representatives in-country.

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