

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**Technology Administration****National Medal of Technology Program Nomination Applications**

AGENCY: Technology Administration, Commerce.

ACTION: Proposed collection; Comment request.

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce (DOC), as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to comment on the continuing and proposed information collection, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)).

DATES: Written comments must be submitted on or before February 15, 2002.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Madeleine Clayton, Departmental Forms Clearance Officer, Department of Commerce, Room 6086, 1401 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230 (or via the Internet at MClayton@doc.gov).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information should be directed to the attention of Mildred Porter, Director, National Medal of Technology Program, Technology Administration, 1401 Constitution Avenue, NW., Room 4226, Washington, DC 20230. In addition, written comments may be sent via fax, (202) 501-8153, and e-mail to mporter@ta.doc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**I. Abstract**

This information collection is critical for the Nomination Evaluation Committee to determine nomination

eligibility and merit according to specified criteria or the annual selection of the Nation's leading technological innovators honored by the President of the United States. The information is needed to comply with Pub. L. 96-480 and Pub. L. 105.309. Comparable information is not available on a standardized basis.

II. Method of Collection

By mail, but the nomination forms and instructions are electronically posted on the National Medal of Technology web site so interested parties can review criteria and informational requirements.

III. Data

OMB Number: 0692-0001.

Form Number: None.

Type of Review: Regular submission.

Affected Public: Individuals or households; business or other for-profit organizations; not-for-profit institutions; and Federal Government.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 102.

Estimated Time Per Response: 25 hours.

Estimated Total Annual Respondent Burden Hours: 2550.

Estimated Total Annual Respondent Cost Burden: 0.

IV. Requests for Comments

Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden (including hours and cost) of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, e.g., the use of

automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval of this information collection; they will also become a matter of public record.

Dated: December 12, 2001.

Gwellnar Banks,

Management Analyst, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**Office of the Secretary**

[Transmittal No. 02-13]

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 Pub. 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 02-13 with attached transmittal and policy justification.

Dated: December 10, 2001.

L.M. Bynum,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Office, Department of Defense.

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DEFENSE SECURITY COOPERATION AGENCY

WASHINGTON, DC 20301-2800

29 NOV 2001

In reply refer to:
I-01/013537

The 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. 02-13 and under separate cover, the classified documents thereto. This Transmittal concerns the Department of the Air Force's proposed Letter(s) of Offer and Acceptance (LOA) to Austria for defense articles and services estimated to cost \$1,739 million. Soon after this letter is delivered to your office, we plan to notify the news-media of the unclassified portion of this Transmittal.

Reporting of Offset Agreements in accordance with Section 36(b)(1)(C) of the Arms Export Control Act (AECA), as amended, requires a description of any offset agreement with respect to this proposed sale. Section 36(g) of the AECA, as amended, provides that reported information related to offset agreements be treated as confidential information in accordance with section 12(c) of the Export Administration Act of 1979 (50 U.S.C. App. 2411(c)). Information about offsets for this proposed sale are described in the enclosed confidential attachment.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Tome H. Walters, Jr.", is located below the word "Sincerely,".

TOME H. WALTERS, JR.
LIEUTENANT GENERAL, USAF
DIRECTOR

Attachments

Separate Cover:
Classified Annex
Offset certificate

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

Transmittal No. 02-13

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

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

Major Defense Equipment*	\$1,294 million
Other	\$ <u>445 million</u>
TOTAL	\$1,739 million
- (iii) **Description and Quantity or Quantities of Articles or Services under Consideration for Purchase:** Thirty F-16C/D Block 50/52 fighter aircraft with engines, three Pratt and Whitney F100-PW-229 or General Electric F110-GE-129 spare engines, four AIM-120C Advance Medium Range Air-to-Air Missiles (AMRAAM), nine AIM-120C AMRAAM Air Vehicle Instrumented missiles, 20 AIM-9M-8/9 SIDEWINDER missiles, and 15 AIM-9M-8/9 SIDEWINDER practice/training missiles. Associated simulators, support equipment, software development/integration, logistics support, training missiles, ammunition, spare and repair parts, flight test instrumentation, publications and technical documentation, personnel training and training equipment, U.S. Government and contractor technical and logistics personnel services, and other related requirements to ensure full program supportability.
- (iv) **Military Department:** Air Force (SAE)
- (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:** See Annex under separate cover
- (viii) **Date Report Delivered to Congress:** 29 NOV 2001

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

POLICY JUSTIFICATION

Austria - F-16C/D Block 50/52 Fighter Aircraft

The Government of Austria has requested a possible sale of 30 F-16C/D Block 50/52 fighter aircraft with engines, three Pratt and Whitney F100-PW-229 or General Electric F110-GE-129 spare engines, four AIM-120C Advance Medium Range Air-to-Air Missiles (AMRAAM), nine AIM-120C AMRAAM Air Vehicle Instrumented missiles, 20 AIM-9M-8/9 SIDEWINDER missiles, and 15 AIM-9M-8/9 SIDEWINDER practice/training missiles. Associated simulators, support equipment, software development/integration, logistics support, training missiles, ammunition, spare and repair parts, flight test instrumentation, publications and technical documentation, personnel training and training equipment, U.S. Government and contractor technical and logistics personnel services, and other related requirements to ensure full program supportability. The estimated cost is \$1,739 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 which has been and continues to be an important force for political stability and economic progress in Europe.

The Austrian Air Force (AAF) currently operates SAAB JAS-35 Draken and SAAB-105 aircraft. These aging fighters are expensive to operate and maintain. This proposed sale will provide operational capabilities as the SAAB aircraft eventually are retired. It will also allow AAF to meet training requirements starting in early 2003. This proposed sale will not impact regional military balance of power.

The principal contractors will be Lockheed Martin Aeronautics Company in Fort Worth, Texas; Pratt and Whitney in East Hartford, Connecticut; General Electric in Cincinnati, Ohio, and Raytheon Corporation in Lexington, Massachusetts. One or more proposed offset agreements may be related to this proposed sale.

Implementation will require the assignment of approximately 12 each U.S. Government and contractor representatives for a period of up to four years to provide program support commencing with delivery of the aircraft to Austria.

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

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

Establishment of the Defense Business Practice Implementation Board

AGENCY: Department of Defense (DoD).

ACTION: Notice of establishment.

SUMMARY: The Defense Business Practice Implementation Board (DSPIB) is being established in consonance with the public interest and in accordance with the provisions of Pub. L. 92-463, the "Federal Advisory Committee Act," title 5 U.S.C., Appendix 2. The DBPIB will make recommendations to the Secretary's Executive Council (SEC) on effective strategies to adopt best

business practices of interest to the Department of Defense.

The Panel will consist of approximately 20 members selected on the basis of their preeminence in the fields of management, production, logistics, personnel leadership, and the defense industrial base. Consultants with special expertise also may be designated to assist the Board on an ad hoc basis.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Louis Douglas, Office of the Under Secretary of Defense (Comptroller/Chief Financial Officer), on 703-602-0193.

Dated: December 10, 2001.

L.M. Bynum,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

Meeting of the DOD Advisory Group on Electron Devices

AGENCY: Advisory Group on Electron Devices, Department of Defense.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The DoD Advisory Group on Electron Devices (AGED) announces a closed session meeting.

DATES: The meeting will be held at 0900, Wednesday, January 9, 2002.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at Palisades Institute for Research Services, Inc. 1745, Jefferson Davis Highway, Suite 500, Arlington, VA 22202.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Eliot Cohen, AGED Secretariat, 1745, Jefferson Davis Highway, Crystal Square