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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

[Transmittal No. 06-58]

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. J. Hurd, DSCA/DBO/CFM, (703) 604-6575.

The following is a copy of a letter to the Speaker of the House of Representatives, Transmittal 06-58 with attached transmittal and policy justification.

Dated: October 3, 2006.

C.R. Choate,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEFENSE SECURITY COOPERATION AGENCY

WASHINGTON, DC 20301-2800

SEP 27 2006

In reply refer to:
I-06/009745

The Honorable J. Dennis Hastert
Speaker of the House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515-6501

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. 06-58, concerning the Department of the Army's proposed Letter(s) of Offer and Acceptance to Jordan for defense articles and services estimated to cost \$450 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 "J. B. Kohler".

JEFFREY B. KOHLER
LIEUTENANT GENERAL, USAF
DIRECTOR

Enclosures:

1. Transmittal
2. Policy Justification

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House

Committee on International Relations
Committee on Armed Services
Committee on Appropriations

Senate

Committee on Foreign Relations
Committee on Armed Services
Committee on Appropriations

Transmittal No. 06-58

**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:** Jordan
- (ii) **Total Estimated Value:**
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| Major Defense Equipment* | \$ 0 million |
| Other | <u>\$450 million</u> |
| TOTAL | \$450 million |
- (iii) **Description and Quantity or Quantities of Articles or Services under Consideration for Purchase:** Design, Acquisition, and Installation of a national Command, Control, Communication, Computers, Intelligence Surveillance and Reconnaissance (C4ISR) System.
- (iv) **Military Department:** Army (WXY)
- (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:** 28 SEP 2006

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

POLICY JUSTIFICATION

Jordan – Command, Control, Communications, Computers, Intelligence, Surveillance, and Reconnaissance System

The Government of Jordan has requested a possible sale of a Commercial Off the Shelf (COTS) National Command, Control, Communications, Computers, Intelligence, Surveillance, and Reconnaissance (C4ISR) System. The proposed sale will consist of major improvements to Jordan's military communications in three (3) major areas:

- A C4ISR subsystem capable of serving multiple internal services and agencies within Jordan.
- A communication subsystem comprised of multiple communications segments addressing various communications specific upgrades.
- An Air Defense subsystem capable early warning of air attack and real-time Command and Control (C2) of national air defense forces.

The major components of the upgraded capability are COTS hardware (HW) and software (SW) that has been exported previously to other United States (U.S.) Allies.

- As part of the C4ISR subsystem, the upgrade will enable increased planning, analysis, as well as quick and effective transmission of intelligence data, operational information, and logistical information to various levels of military and civilian authority in Jordan.
- As a part of the above major communications upgrades, the U.S. will provide facility modifications, as well as logistical and technical support in several areas to include: Establishment of a maintenance facility in Jordan to maintain delivered hardware and software; technical training; and establishment of a Modeling and Simulation Center to enhance the Jordanian ability to train and maintain proficiency with the systems provided and modifications to the current heating, ventilation, and air conditioning (HVAC) environments, as well as HVAC control systems, building lighting, and electric power distribution where necessary.
- The following contains a general description of the types of hardware, software, and services to be provided under this proposed sale:
 - a. Major components of the C4ISR provide capabilities primarily through the use of commercial-off-the-shelf (COTS) software and hardware.

- b. The major components of the communications subsystem will include:
 1. The Long Haul Communications (LHC) consisting of upgrades to Jordan's microwave and fiber networks;
 2. The Last Mile Communication (LMC) segment linking the LHC segment;
 3. Wireless Communications providing connectivity to mobile forces;
 4. Radio Frequency (RF) communications for all command levels; and
 5. The Tactical Wired Communications at the Company and Platoon levels.
- c. Major components of the Air Defense subsystem upgrade will incorporate third generation air defense software, installation of an industry standard operating system with open architecture and COTS hardware and software, improved workstations and voice switches.

The estimated cost is \$450 million.

Proposed sale will enhance the foreign policy and national security objectives of the United States by improving the security of a key regional partner who has proven to be a vital force for political stability and peace in the Middle East.

Jordan needs this equipment to upgrade its entire C4ISR capability from Platoon/Company through higher echelons to the General Headquarters. These defense articles and services will enable Jordan to more effectively organize its armed forces to be able to respond quickly, effectively, and comprehensively to situations concerning its national security. Jordan will have no difficulty absorbing these articles and services into its armed forces.

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

The prime contractor will be Northrop Grumman Corporation of Linthicum, Maryland.

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

The United States Government and contractor representatives will participate in program services and technical reviews during 2006 to 2013. The number of in-country U.S. Government personnel and contractor representatives required to support this program will be determined in joint negotiations as the program proceeds through the development, production and equipment installation phases.

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

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Office of the Secretary

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36(b)(1) Arms Sales Notification

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The following is a copy of a letter to the Speaker of the House of Representatives, Transmittal 06-51 with attached transmittal, policy justification and Sensitivity of Technology.

Dated: October 3, 2006.

C.R. Choate,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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