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Annex Item No. vii

(vii) Sensitivity of Technology:

- 1. The PATRIOT Air Defense System contains critical/sensitive technology and classified Confidential components. The Configuration 3 upgrade represents significant technological advances for the existing PATRIOT system capabilities. The Configuration 3 sensitive/critical technology is primarily in the area of design and production know-how and primarily inherent in the design, development, and/or manufacturing data related to certain critical components. Information on operational effectiveness with respect to electronic countermeasures and counter-counter measures, low observable technologies, select software documentation and test data are classified up to and including Secret.
- 2. If a technologically advanced adversary were to obtain knowledge of the specific hardware and software elements, the information could be used to develop countermeasures that might reduce weapon system effectiveness or be used in the development of a system with similar or advanced capabilities.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

[Transmittal No. 08-14]

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 08–14 with attached transmittal, and policy justification.

Dated: November 13, 2007.

L.M. Bynum,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEFENSE SECURITY COOPERATION AGENCY WASHINGTON, DC 20301-2800

NOV 0 8 2007 In reply refer to: I-07/011490-CFM

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.

08-14, concerning the Department of the Navy's proposed Letter(s) of Offer and Acceptance to Kuwait for defense articles and services estimated to cost \$90 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,

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Enclosures:

1. Transmittal

2. Policy Justification

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House

Committee on Foreign Affairs Committee on Armed Services Committee on Appropriations <u>Senate</u>

Committee on Foreign Relations Committee on Armed Services Committee on Appropriations

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(i) Prospective Purchaser: Kuwait

(ii) Total Estimated Value:

Major Defense Equipment* \$ 0 million
Other \$ 90 million
TOTAL \$ 90 million

- (iii) Description and Quantity or Quantities of Articles or Services under Consideration for Purchase: continuing logistics support, contractor maintenance, and technical services in support of the F/A-18 aircraft to include contractor engineering technical services, contractor maintenance support, avionics software, engine component improvement and spare parts, technical ground support equipment, spare and repair parts, supply support, publications and technical data, engineering change proposals, U.S. Government and contractor technical and logistics personnel services and other related elements of program support.
- (iv) Military Department: Navy (GFZ)
- (v) Prior Related Cases, if any: numerous cases dating back to 1995
- (vi) Sales Commission, Fee, etc., Paid, Offered, or Agreed to be Paid: none
- (vii) <u>Sensitivity of Technology Contained in the Defense Article or Defense Services</u>
 <u>Proposed to be Sold:</u> none
- (viii) Date Report Delivered to Congress: NOV 0 8 2007
- * as defined in Section 47(6) of the Arms Export Control Act.

POLICY JUSTIFICATION

Kuwait - Technical/Logistics Support for F/A-18 Aircraft

The Government of Kuwait has requested a possible sale of continuing logistics support, contractor maintenance, and technical services in support of the F/A-18 aircraft to include contractor engineering technical services, contractor maintenance support, avionics software, engine component improvement and spare parts, technical ground support equipment, spare and repair parts, supply support, publications and technical data, engineering change proposals, U.S. Government and contractor technical and logistics personnel services and other related elements of program support. The estimated cost is \$90 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 the Middle East.

The Government of Kuwait needs this logistics support, contractor maintenance, and technical services to maintain the operational capabilities of its aircraft.

The contractor maintenance and training technical services will not alter the basic military balance in the region.

The principal contractors are: Boeing Company of St. Louis, Missouri; and General Dynamics of Fairfax, Virginia. Although the purchaser generally requires offsets, at this time, there are no known offset agreements proposed in connection with this potential sale.

Implementation of this proposed sale will not require the assignment of any U.S. Government or contractor representatives to Kuwait.

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

Meeting of the Defense Policy Board Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Department of Defense, Defense Policy Board Advisory Committee

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Defense Policy Board Advisory Committee will meet in closed session on December 11, 2007 from 0800 hrs until 2030 and December 12, 2007 from 0730 hrs until 1430 at the Pentagon.

The purpose of the meeting is to provide the Secretary of Defense, Deputy Secretary of Defense and Under Secretary of Defense for Policy with independent, informed advice on major matters of defense policy. The Board will hold classified discussions on national security matters.

In accordance with Section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, Public Law No. 92–463, as amended [5 U.S.C. 552B(c)(1)(1982)], and that accordingly this meeting will be closed to the public.

Dated: November 14, 2007.

L.M. Bynum,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense. [FR Doc. 07–5755 Filed 11–19–07; 8:45 am]

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