

Transmittal No. 03-21**Notice of Proposed Issuance of Letter of Offer
Pursuant to Section 36(b)(1)
of the Arms Export Control Act****Annex
Item No. vii****(vii) Sensitivity of Technology:**

1. The AN/AAQ-24(V) NEMESIS Directional Infrared Countermeasures (DIRCM) with a multi-band laser on large infrared signature aircraft reduces the number of required transmitters and increases effectiveness against threats from modern Man-Portable Air Defense Systems. This aircraft self-protection suite will provide fast and accurate threat detection, processing, tracking, and countermeasures to defeat current and future generation infrared missile threats. DIRCM is designed for installation on a wide range of rotary and fixed-wing aircraft.

2. 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 advance capabilities.

3. A determination has been made that Jordan can provide substantially the same degree of protection for the 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.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**Office of the Secretary**

[Transmittal No. 03-26]

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/COMPT/RM, (703) 604-6575.

The following is a copy of a letter to the Speaker of the House of Representatives, Transmittal 03-26 with attached transmittal, policy justification, and Sensitivity of Technology.

Dated: September 5, 2003.

Patricia L. Toppings,
*Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison
Officer, Department of Defense.*

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DEFENSE SECURITY COOPERATION AGENCY

WASHINGTON, DC 20301-2800

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In reply refer to:
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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 (AECA), as amended, we are forwarding herewith Transmittal No. 03-26, concerning the Department of the Army's proposed Letter(s) of Offer and Acceptance (LOA) to Jordan for defense articles and services estimated to cost \$220 million. Soon after this letter is delivered to your office, we plan to notify the news media.

Sincerely,


Richard J. Millies
Deputy Director

Attachments

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

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- (i) **Prospective Purchaser:** Jordan
- (ii) **Total Estimated Value:**
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| Major Defense Equipment* | \$146 million |
| Other | \$ <u>74 million</u> |
| TOTAL | \$220 million |
- (iii) **Description and Quantity or Quantities of Articles or Services under Consideration for Purchase:** eight UH-60L BLACKHAWK helicopters with T-700-GE-701C engines, four spare T-700-GE-701C engines, M130 chaff dispenser, receivers, spare and repair parts, gun pods, tools and support equipment, publications and technical data, personnel training and training equipment, U.S. Government Quality Assurance Team (QAT), contractor engineering and technical support services and other related elements of logistics support.
- (iv) **Military Department:** Army (VZR)
- (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 attached
- (viii) **Date Report Delivered to Congress:** 03SEP03

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

POLICY JUSTIFICATION

Jordan – UH-60L BLACKHAWK Helicopters

The Government of Jordan has requested a possible sale of eight UH-60L BLACKHAWK helicopters with T-700-GE-701C engines, four spare T-700-GE-701C engines, M130 chaff dispenser, receivers, spare and repair parts, gun pods, tools and support equipment, publications and technical data, personnel training and training equipment, U.S. Government Quality Assurance Team (QAT), contractor engineering and technical support services and other related elements of logistics support. The estimated cost is \$220 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.

This procurement will upgrade Jordan's air mobility capability and provide for the defense of vital installations and close air support for ground forces. Jordan will have no difficulty absorbing these helicopters into its armed forces.

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

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

Implementation of this sale will require the assignment of several U.S. Government Quality Assurance Teams for one-week intervals, twice annually, to participate in program management and technical reviews. There will be several U.S. Army National Guard Personnel, for a month, and a contractor field service representative, for two years, in Jordan.

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

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Annex
Item No. vii

(vii) Sensitivity of Technology:

1. The UH-60L BLACKHAWK helicopter is Unclassified. The highest level of classified information required to be released for training, operation and maintenance of the BLACKHAWK is Confidential. The highest level which could be revealed through reverse engineering or testing of the end item is Confidential.

2. A determination has been made that Jordan can provide substantially the same degree of protection for the 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.

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