POLICY JUSTIFICATION

Egypt - High Mobility Multi-purpose Wheeled Vehicles

The Government of Egypt has requested a possible sale of 100 M1114 High Mobility Multipurpose Wheeled Vehicles (HMMWV), 400 M1113 HMMWVs, 50 M997A2 HMMWV ambulances, spare engines, spare and repair parts, test and tool sets, personnel training and equipment, publications, a U.S. Government and contractor engineering and logistics personnel services, Quality Assurance Team, and other related elements of logistics support. The estimated cost is \$109 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.

These vehicles will enhance Egypt's force modernization efforts and provide an all-terrain mode of transportation for its ground forces. Fifty of these vehicles will be configured as ambulances. Egypt, which already has the proposed items in its inventory, will have no difficulty absorbing these trucks.

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

The prime contractor will be AM General of South Bend, Indiana. There are no offset agreements proposed in connection with this potential sale.

Implementation of this proposed sale will require the assignment of a Quality Assurance team for a three-month interval, twice annually, to prepare for operational use and insure full mission capability of the vehicles. There will be one contractor representative for a period of two years in Egypt.

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

[Transmittal No. 03-31]

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 03–31 with attached transmittal and policy justification.

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

3SEP03 In reply refer to: I-03/009297

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. 03-31,

concerning the Department of the Army's proposed Letter(s) of Offer and Acceptance

(LOA) to Israel for defense articles and services estimated to cost \$65 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

Transmittal No. 03-31

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

- (i) <u>Prospective Purchaser</u>: Israel
- (ii) Total Estimated Value:

Major Defense Equipment* \$ 0 million
Other \$ \frac{65 million}{565 million}\$

- (iii) Description and Quantity or Quantities of Articles or Services under
 Consideration for Purchase: 256 American Truck Company (ATC) 6x6 High
 Mobility Medium Tactical (HMMT) trucks without cranes, 49 ATC 6x6 High
 Mobility Medium Tactical (HMMT) trucks with cranes, 10 ATC 6x6 HMMT
 driver training trucks, associated support equipment, spare and repair parts,
 publications, personnel training and training equipment, technical assistance,
 contractor technical and logistics personnel services and other related elements of
 program support.
- (iv) Military Department: Army (ZAM)
- (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: 3SEP03

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

POLICY JUSTIFICATION

Israel - High Mobility Medium Tactical Trucks

The Government of Israel has requested a possible purchase of 256 American Truck Company (ATC) 6x6 High Mobility Medium Tactical (HMMT) trucks without cranes, 49 ATC 6x6 High Mobility Medium Tactical (HMMT) trucks with cranes, 10 ATC 6x6 HMMT driver training trucks, associated support equipment, spare and repair parts, publications, personnel training and training equipment, technical assistance, contractor technical and logistics personnel services and other related elements of program support. The estimated cost is \$65 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 that has been and continues to be an important force for political stability and economic progress in the Middle East.

The proposed sale of the HMMT trucks will upgrade and enhance Israel's fleet with a Medium Tactical Truck between the High Mobility Multi-purpose Wheeled Vehicles and Heavy Expanded Mobility Tactical Trucks in their inventory. Israel will have no difficulty absorbing these trucks into its armed forces.

The proposed sale of these trucks will not affect the basic military balance in the region.

The prime contractor is American Truck Company of Ft. Wayne, Indiana. There are no offset agreements proposed in connection with this potential sale.

Implementation of this proposed sale will require the assignment of four contractor representatives for three months to Israel.

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 [Transmittal No. 03–32]

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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 03–32 with attached transmittal, policy justification, and Sensitivity of Technology.

Dated: September 5, 2003.

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