POLICY JUSTIFICATION

Iraq - Logistics Support for Helicopters, Vehicles, and Weapons

The Government of Iraq has requested a possible sale of logistics support services/equipment for helicopters (Jet Ranger, Huey II and Mi-17) and vehicles (Standard/Non-Standard Wheeled Vehicles, Tracked Vehicles, Infantry Light Armored Vehicles Armored Personnel Carriers) and small/medium weapons and weapon systems including on-job-training, supply and maintenance support, measuring and hand tools for ground systems, software upgrades, spare and repair parts, support equipment, publications and documentation, personnel training and training equipment, U.S. Government and contractor engineering and logistics support services, and other related elements of logistics support. The estimated cost is $250 million.

This proposed sale will contribute to the foreign policy and national security of the U.S. by helping to improve the security of a friendly country. This proposed sale directly supports the Iraqi government and serves the interests of the Iraqi people and the United States.

The Government of Iraq needs the contractor technical support, maintenance, and logistical services to maintain the operational capabilities of its helicopters, vehicles, and small/medium weapons and weapon systems.

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

The contractors are unknown at this time. There are no known offset agreements proposed in connection with this potential sale.

Implementation of this sale may require the assignment of up to 10 Government and up to 65 contractor representatives to over-see up to 10 ground maintenance sites in Iraq for two years.

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. 06–69]

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 06–69 with attached transmittal, policy justification, and Sensitivity of Technology.

Dated: September 22, 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

19 SEP 2006

In reply refer to:
I-06/011665

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. 06-69, concerning the Department of the Army's proposed Letter(s) of Offer and Acceptance to Iraq for defense articles and services estimated to cost $500 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,

Richard J. Millies
Deputy Director

Enclosures:
1. **Transmittal**
2. **Policy Justification**
3. **Sensitivity of Technology**

Same ltr to:

House	Senate
Committee on International Relations	Committee on Foreign Relations
Committee on Armed Services	Committee on Armed Services
Committee on Appropriations	Committee on Appropriations

Transmittal No. 06-69

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: Iraq

(ii) Total Estimated Value:

Major Defense Equipment*	$372 million
Other	$128 million
TOTAL	$500 million

(iii) Description and Quantity or Quantities of Articles or Services under Consideration for Purchase:

10,126	M17 9mm Glock Pistols
50,750	M16A2 Rifles
50,750	M4A1 Rifles
3,442	M24 Sniper Rifles
8,105	M249 Machine Guns
3,037	M240B Machine Guns
1,268	Generation (Gen) II Single Tube Night Vision Goggles
15	AN/PVS-17 Gen III Assault Weapon Sights
40	AN/PVS-10 Gen II Sniper Weapon Sights
20	Mi-17 Troop Transport Helicopters
600	Infantry Light Armored Vehicles Armored Personnel Carriers
2,126,250	9mm Pistol Ammunition
35,437,500	5.56mm Rifle Ammunition
633,328	7.62mm Sniper Rifle Ammunition
1,621,000	5.56mm Machine Gun Ammunition
1,214,800	M240 7.62mm Crew Served Machine Gun Ammunition
9,562	Hand Held Pyrotechnics and
8,670	Hand Held Smoke Munitions

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

Also included: logistics support services/equipment for helicopters (Jet Ranger, Huey II and Mi-17) and vehicles (Standard/Non-Standard Wheeled Vehicles, Tracked Vehicles, Infantry Light Armored Vehicles Armored Personnel Carriers) and small/medium weapons and weapon systems, on-job-training, laser pointers, supply and maintenance support, measuring and hand tools for ground systems, technical support, software upgrades, spare and repair parts, support equipment, publications and documentation, personnel training and training equipment, U.S. Government and contractor engineering and logistics support services, and other related elements of logistics support.

(iv) **Military Department: Army (AAC)**

(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:** 19 SEP 2006

POLICY JUSTIFICATION

Iraq - Helicopters, Vehicles, and Weapons and Support

The Government of Iraq has requested a possible sale of the following weapons:

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50,750 M4A1 Rifles
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8,105 M249 Machine Guns
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Also included: logistics support services/equipment for helicopters (Jet Ranger, Huey II and Mi-17) and vehicles (Standard/Non-Standard Wheeled Vehicles, Tracked Vehicles, Infantry Light Armored Vehicles Armored Personnel Carriers) and small/medium weapons and weapon systems, on-job-training, laser pointers, supply and maintenance support, measuring and hand tools for ground systems, technical support, software upgrades, spare and repair parts, support equipment, publications and documentation, personnel training and training equipment, U.S. Government and contractor engineering and logistics support services, and other related elements of logistics support. The estimated cost is $500 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. This proposed sale directly supports the Iraqi government and serves the interests of the Iraqi people and the U.S., as well as offering hope for a more stable and peaceful Middle East.

The Government of Iraq has an assortment of multiple makes of antiquated vehicles with some new vehicles provided under the Multi-National Security Transition Command. The multiple makes of antiquated vehicles are difficult and costly to maintain. The modernization plan calls for purifying the fleet with more capable equipment and services to sustain equipment. The troop helicopter carries will allow the Iraqis to rapidly move troops into position. Also, the aircraft will provide the capability to medical evacuate casualties. Leadership, tactical and technical training is needed to develop a professional Iraqi Armed Forces.

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

(C) The contractors are unknown at this time. There are no known offset agreements proposed in connection with this potential sale.

Implementation of this sale may require the assignment of up to 69 contractor representatives to execute the maintenance program for a duration up to 24 months. There will be up to 11 contractors to field and train Iraqi personnel on operating the equipment and maintenance for 8 months.

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

Transmittal No. 06-69

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. Generation (Gen) II Single Tube Night Vision Goggle – A typical Gen II night vision goggle uses a high-end Gen II image intensifier tube with a signal to noise ratio which equates to a Figure of Merit of 1250 or less.

2. Commercial AN/PVS-17 - The Mini Night Sight (MNS) is a lightweight, compact, high performance system. It weighs less than two pounds and is submersible to twenty meters (66ft.). It is mounted on the extended carbine rail that has been optimized to allow other systems to be used in conjunction with the sight such as a laser illuminator.

3. Commercial AN/PVS-10 - The Sniper Night Sight (SNS) is a lightweight, weapon- mounted, self-contained image-intensified passive device designed primarily for use by the sniper in day and night operations. A day/night lever enables the user to alternate between day and night modes of operation. SNS employs a variable gain image intensifier that can be adjusted by the user depending on the ambient light levels. SNS includes a black-line reticle for day use and illuminated for night use.

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 which 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

Defense Business Board; Notice of Advisory Committee Meeting Cancellation

AGENCY: Department of Defense.

ACTION: Notice of meeting cancellation.

SUMMARY: On September 20, 2006, the Department of Defense published a notice of meeting (71 FR 54980) scheduled for September 28, 2006. Due to inability to achieve a quorum the meeting was cancelled. This notice announces the cancellation. This meeting may be rescheduled and announced at a later date.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Kelly Van Niman, Executive Director, DBB, 703–697–2346 or *Kelly.vanniman@osd.mil.*

Dated: September 21, 2006.

C.R. Choate,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

Defense Science Board

AGENCY: Department of Defense.

ACTION: Notice of Advisory Committee Meeting Date Change.

SUMMARY: On Thursday, August 17, 2006 (71 FR 47491) the Department of Defense announced a meeting of the Defense Science Board (DSB) Task Force on Defense Industrial Structure for Transformation. The October 2006 meeting date have been revised from October 10, 2006 to October 10 and 11, 2006. The task force will meet in closed session. The meeting will be held at the Pentagon on October 10, 2006; and Science Applications International Corporation (SAIC), 4001 N. Fairfax Drive, Arlington, VA on October 11, 2006.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: MAJ Chad Lominac, USAF, Defense Science Board, 3140 Defense Pentagon, Room 3C553, Washington, DC 20301–3140, via