

**Transmittal No. 11-09**

*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:* Argentina  
(ii) *Total Estimated Value:*

Major Defense Equip- ment *	\$ 0 million.
Other .....	\$166 million.
Total .....	\$166 million.

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

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

Commercial-off-the-shelf avionics upgrade of five (5) C-130H aircraft that includes minor Class IV modifications, ground handling equipment, repair and return, spare and repair parts, support equipment, publications and technical documentation, tools and test equipment, personnel training and training equipment, programmed depot maintenance, U.S. Government and contractor engineering, technical, and logistics support services, and other related elements of program support.

(iv) *Military Department:* Air Force (QAT)

(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:* 18 October 2011

**Policy Justification****Argentina—C-130H Avionics Upgrade**

The Government of Argentina has requested a possible purchase of commercial-off-the-shelf avionics upgrade of five (5) C-130H aircraft that includes minor Class IV modifications, ground handling equipment, repair and return, spare and repair parts, support equipment, publications and technical documentation, tools and test equipment, personnel training and training equipment, programmed depot maintenance, U.S. Government and contractor engineering, technical, and logistics support services, and other related elements of program support. The estimated cost is \$166 million.

The proposed sale will contribute to the foreign policy and national security of the United States by improving the security of a major non- NATO ally.

The proposed sale will improve Argentina's capability to meet current and future needs for its existing C-130 fleet. Argentina uses its C-130 in humanitarian and Antarctic missions. Argentina, which already has C-130s in its inventory, will have no difficulty absorbing the upgraded systems into its armed forces. The proposed sale will enhance U.S and Argentine Air Force relations.

The proposed sale of this equipment will not alter the basic military balance in the region.

The prime contractors for this sale are not known at this time. There are no known offset agreements proposed in connection with this potential sale.

Implementation of this proposed sale will require the temporary assignment

of approximately two (2) U.S. Government and 48 contractor representatives to Argentina during the duration of the program.

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 Nos. 11-38]

**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 July 21, 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 11-38 with attached transmittal, policy justification, and Sensitivity of Technology.

Dated: October 20, 2011.

**Aaron Siegel,**

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DEFENSE SECURITY COOPERATION AGENCY  
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The Honorable John A. Boehner  
Speaker of the House  
U.S. House of Representatives  
Washington, DC 20515

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. 11-38, concerning the Department of the Army and Air Force's proposed Letter(s) of Offer and Acceptance to Oman for defense articles and services estimated to cost \$1.248 billion. After this letter is delivered to your office, we plan to issue a press statement to notify the public of this proposed sale.

Sincerely,

William E. Landay III  
Vice Admiral, USN  
Director

Enclosures:

1. Transmittal
2. Policy Justification
3. Sensitivity of Technology
4. Regional Balance (Classified Document Provided under Separate Cover)



**Transmittal No. 11-38**

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- (i) *Prospective Purchaser:* Oman  
(ii) *Total Estimated Value:*

Major Defense Equip- ment*.	\$1.068 billion
Other .....	\$ .180 billion
Total .....	\$1.248 billion

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

(iii) *Description and Quantity or Quantities of Articles or Services under Consideration for Purchase:* 18 AVENGER Fire Units, 266 STINGER—Reprogrammable Micro-Processor (RMP) Block 1 Anti-Aircraft missiles, 6 STINGER Block 1 Production Verification Flight Test missiles, 24 Captive Flight Trainers, 18 AN/VRC—92E exportable Single Channel Ground and Airborne Radio Systems (SINCGARS), 20 S250 Shelters, 20 High Mobility Multi-Purpose Wheeled Vehicles (HMMWVs), 1 lot AN/MPQ—64F1 SENTINEL Radar software, 290 AIM—120C—7 Surface-Launched Advanced Medium Range Air-to-Air Missiles, 6 Guidance Sections, Surface-Launched Advanced Medium Range Air-to-Air Missile (SL—AMRAAM) software to support Oman's Ground Based Air defense System, training missiles, missile components, warranties, containers, weapon support equipment, repair and return, spare and repair parts, publications and technical documentation, personnel training and training equipment, U.S. Government and contractor technical support services, and other related elements of logistics support.

(iv) *Military Department:* Army (UJR) Air Force (YEK)

(v) *Prior Related Cases, if any:* FMS case YEI—\$68M—5Jun02

(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:* 18 October 2011

**Policy Justification**

Oman—AVENGER Fire Units/STINGER Missiles/Surface-Launched AMRAAM

The Government of the Oman has requested a possible sale of 18 AVENGER Fire Units, 266 STINGER—Reprogrammable Micro-Processor (RMP) Block 1 Anti-Aircraft missiles, 6 STINGER Block 1 Production

Verification Flight Test missiles, 24 Captive Flight Trainers, 18 AN/VRC—92E exportable Single Channel Ground and Airborne Radio Systems (SINCGARS), 20 S250 Shelters, 20 High Mobility Multi-Purpose Wheeled Vehicles (HMMWVs), 1 lot AN/MPQ—64F1 SENTINEL Radar software, 290 AIM—120C—7 Surface-Launched Advanced Medium Range Air-to-Air Missiles, 6 Guidance Sections, Surface-Launched Advanced Medium Range Air-to-Air Missile (SL—AMRAAM) software to support Oman's Ground Based Air defense System, training missiles, missile components, warranties, containers, weapon support equipment, repair and return, spare and repair parts, publications and technical documentation, personnel training and training equipment, U.S. Government and contractor technical support services, and other related elements of logistics support. The estimated cost is \$1.248 billion.

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 in the Middle East.

The proposed purchase of the AVENGER fire units and SL—AMRAAM will improve Oman's capability to meet current and future regional threats. Oman is developing a layered air defense capability that incorporates a larger Foreign Military Sale-Direct Commercial Sale hybrid effort. This modern multi-layered air defense system will be integrated into the national command and control to protect strategic locations in Oman and its nearest vicinity. The system will serve as a deterrent to potential threats from regional unmanned aerial vehicles, cruise missiles, and fighter aircraft. The proposed sale will provide a significant increase in Oman's defensive capability while enhancing interoperability with the U.S. and other coalition forces. Oman will have no difficulty absorbing this additional capability into its armed forces.

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

The prime contractors will be Raytheon Missile Systems of Tucson, Arizona, and Boeing of Huntsville, Alabama.

The purchaser typically requests offsets. Any offset agreements will be defined in negotiations between the purchaser and the contractor.

Implementation of this proposed sale will require multiple trips to Oman involving many U.S. Government or

contractor representatives over a period of up to or over 15 years for program and technical support, equipment checkout, and training.

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 AVENGER system is a lightweight, highly mobile, and transportable surface-to-air missile/gun weapon system mounted on a high mobility multi-purpose wheeled vehicle (HMMWV). It has a two-man crew and can operate in day or night, in clear or adverse weather conditions. The system incorporates an operator's position with displays, fire control electronics, and Standard Vehicle Mounted Launcher (SVML). The SVML supports and launches multiple STINGER missiles. The highest classification of the AVENGER hardware is Confidential and the data and information is Secret.

2. The Captive Flight Trainer (CFT) is a simulated weapon with general appearance, weight, and center of gravity as the tactical missile, used at the operational level to provide training to the gunner in the techniques of acquiring, tracking, and engaging targets. CFT simulates STINGER missile target acquisition functions but does not contain a warhead or motor. CFT contains operational seeker hardware and firmware and must be protected in accordance with classified hardware guidance. Secret data could be obtained from the system by reverse engineering through extensive engineering analysis and testing. Access to AVENGER firmware and hardware could allow the development of counter-measures.

3. The STINGER—RMP Block I Anti-Aircraft missile is a fire-and-forget infrared missile system that can be fired from a number of ground-to-air and rotary wing platforms. The missile homes in on the heat emitted by either jet or propeller-driven, fixed wing aircraft or helicopters. The STINGER system employs a proportional navigation system that allows it to fly an intercept course to the target. The STINGER Block I International Missile System, hardware, software and documentation contain sensitive technology and are classified Confidential. The guidance section of the missile and tracking head trainer

contain highly sensitive technology and are classified Confidential. No man-portable grip stocks will be sold under these LOAs.

4. Missile System hardware and fire unit components contain sensitive critical technologies. The potential for reverse engineering is not significant for most technologies although the release of some end items could lead to development of countermeasures. STINGER critical technology is primarily in the area of design and production know-how and not end-items. This sensitive/critical technology is inherent in the hybrid microcircuit assemblies; microprocessors; magnetic and amorphous metals; purification; firmware; printed circuit boards; laser range finder; dual detector assembly; detector filters; missile software; optical coatings; ultraviolet sensors; semiconductor detectors infrared band sensors; compounding and handling of electronic, electro-optic, and optical materials; equipment operating instructions; energetic materials formulation technology; energetic materials fabrication and loading technology; and warhead components seeker assembly. The hardware for all versions of STINGER International Platform Launched Missile is classified Confidential. Information on vulnerability to electronic countermeasures and countermeasures, system performance capabilities and effectiveness, and test data are classified up to Secret.

5. The SL-AMRAAM is a lightweight day or night, and adverse weather non-line of sight system for countering cruise missiles and unmanned air vehicle threats with engagement capabilities in excess of 18 kilometers. The system is comprised of a Fire Control System, for command and control, and missile launcher fire unit platforms, which hold AIM-120 AMRAAM missiles. The SENTINEL radar (export variant), which will be sold separately via direct commercial sale (DCS), provides surveillance and fire control data for the system.

6. The AIM-120C-7 Advanced Medium Range Air-to-Air Missile (AMRAAM) is a new generation air-to-air missile. The AIM-120C-7 AMRAAM hardware, including the missile guidance section, is classified Confidential. State-of-the-art technology is used in the missile to provide it with unique beyond-visual-range capability. Significant AIM-120C-7 features include a target detection device with embedded electronic countermeasures, an electronics unit within the guidance section that performs all radar signal processing, mid-course and terminal

guidance, flight control, target detection and warhead burst point determination. Anti-tampering security measures have been incorporated into the AIM-120C-7 to prevent exploitation of the AMRAAM software.

7. The AN/MPQ-64 SENTINEL Radar System is a fielded air defense radar system that provides the capability for SENTINEL to detect and classify small radar cross-section (RCS) targets, such as cruise missiles and unmanned aerial vehicles at extended ranges. The system provides SHORAD system information dominance via a digital air picture for support of maneuver forces and critical assets. The ETRAC improvements to the SENTINEL radar also provide the capability to determine aircraft type and to support manned versus unmanned determinations to fully support precision engagements beyond visual range. The improved Secret-U.S. only SENTINEL radar includes hardware updates to the basic SENTINEL radar and Secret-U.S. only software that includes Electronic Counter-countermeasures (ECCM), High-Range Resolution (HRR), and Hostile Aircraft Identification Equipment (HAIDE) capabilities.

8. 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

#### Availability of the Fiscal Year 2010 United States Special Operations Command (USSOCOM) Inventory List of Contracts for Services

**AGENCY:** United States Special Operations Command (USSOCOM), Department of Defense (DoD).

**ACTION:** Notice of availability.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with section 2330a of Title 10 United States Code as amended by the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2008 (NDAA 08) Section 807, the Director of Procurement USSOCOM and the Office of the Director, Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, Office of Strategic Sourcing (DPAP/SS) will make available to the public the first inventory of activities performed

pursuant to contracts for services. The inventory will be published to the USSOCOM public portal Web site at the following location: <http://www.socom.mil/sordac/Documents/USSOCOMFY10ServicesInventoryList.pdf>.

**DATES:** Inventory to be made publically available within 30 days after publication of this notice.

**ADDRESSES:** Send written comments and suggestions concerning this inventory to Marian Duchesne, Procurement Analyst, SORDAC-KM, 7701 Tampa Point Blvd., MacDill AFB, FL 33621-5323.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Marian Duchesne at (813) 826-6499 or e-mail [marian.duchesne@socom.mil](mailto:marian.duchesne@socom.mil).

Dated: October 19, 2011.

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## DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

### Notice of Submission for OMB Review

**AGENCY:** Department of Education.

**ACTION:** Comment Request.

**SUMMARY:** The Acting Director, Information Collection Clearance Division, Privacy, Information and Records Management Services, Office of Management, invites comments on the submission for OMB review as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13).

**DATES:** Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before November 25, 2011.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments should be addressed to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attention: Education Desk Officer, Office of Management and Budget, 725 17th Street, NW., Room 10222, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503, be faxed to (202) 395-5806 or e-mailed to [oir\\_submission@omb.eop.gov](mailto:oir_submission@omb.eop.gov) with a cc: to [ICDocketMgr@ed.gov](mailto:ICDocketMgr@ed.gov). Please note that written comments received in response to this notice will be considered public records.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Section 3506 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. chapter 35) requires that the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) provide interested Federal agencies and the public an early opportunity to comment on information collection requests. The OMB is particularly interested in comments