Highway 1, Islamorada, FL; telephone: (1–800) 327–2888 or (305) 664–4651.

Council address: South Atlantic Fishery Management Council, One Southpark Circle, Suite 306; Charleston, SC 29407–4699.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Kim Iverson, Public Information Officer; telephone: (843) 571–4366; fax: (843) 769–4520; email: kim.iverson@noaa.gov

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Meeting Dates

June 12, 2000, 8:30 a.m.–5:00 p.m.—Scientific and Statistical Committee Meeting;

The Scientific and Statistical Committee will review and comment on the: mackerel stock assessment report; social impact assessment and economic impact assessment guidelines; vessel capacity report; snapper grouper assessment; dolphin assessment draft dolphin/wahoo FMP; red drum stock assessment; snapper grouper assessment group report and draft position statement on the use of cultured fish for stock enhancement; Golden Crab Amendment 3; marine reserves public information document and scoping document; and bycatch reduction (BRD) protocol revisions.

June 13, 2000, 8:30 a.m.–12:00 Noon—Joint Mackerel Committee and Advisory Panel (AP);

The Mackerel Committee and AP will meet to review the Gulf king mackerel assessment; Scientific and Statistical Committee (SSC) comments; AP framework recommendations; hear a presentation on the king mackerel mercury issue; and develop Committee recommendations.

June 13, 2000, 1:30 p.m.–5:00 p.m.—Joint Golden Crab Committee and Advisory Panel;

The Golden Crab Committee and AP will meet to review public input on Amendment 3; review SSC comments; and develop AP and Committee recommendations on Amendment 3.

June 14, 2000, 8:30 a.m.–10:30 a.m.—Spiny Lobster Committee;

There will be a scoping meeting on the use of tailing permits in the spiny lobster fishery (8:30 a.m.) and the Committee will discuss the need and/or locations for additional scoping meetings.

June 14, 2000, 10:30 a.m.–12:00 noon—Advisory Panel Selection Committee (closed);

The AP Selection Committee will meet to review membership applications and develop recommendations.

June 14, 2000, 1:30 p.m.–3:30 p.m.—Shrimp Committee;

The Shrimp Committee will meet to review revised NMFS BRD Protocol and discuss a nighttime closure proposal.

June 14, 2000, 3:30 p.m.–5:30 p.m.—Snapper Grouper Committee;

The Snapper Grouper Committee will meet to review and discuss corporate permits and transfers; legal status of ''individual'' vs ''corporation'' permits; discuss other permit transfer issues; hear a report on harvest by powerheads; discuss the need for an Interim Rule for Snapper Grouper Amendment 12 and hear a presentation on overfishing definitions.

June 15, 2000, 8:30 a.m.–9:30 a.m.—Personnel Committee (closed);

The Personnel Committee will meet to discuss personnel issues.

June 15, 2000, 9:30 a.m.–12:00 noon Marine Reserves Committee;

The Marine Reserves Committee will meet to review the results of the informal meetings; review input received at the public scooping meetings; and review and develop committee recommendations on the Gray's Reef Memorandum of Understanding (MOU).

June 15, 2000, 1:30 p.m.–5:30 p.m.—Council Session;

From 1:30 p.m.–1:45 p.m., the Council will call the meeting to order, adopt the agenda and approve minutes from the March 2000 meeting.

From 1:45 p.m.–2:15 p.m., the Council will hear from the Mackerel Committee and take public comment on any proposed framework actions beginning at 1:45 p.m. The Council will also take framework action as appropriate.

From 2:15 p.m.–2:45 p.m., the Council will hear from the Golden Crab Committee and finalize and approve Amendment 3.

From 2:45 p.m.–3:00 p.m., the Council will hear a report from the Spiny Lobster Committee.

From 3:15 p.m.–3:45 p.m., the Council will hear from the Advisory Panel Selection Committee and appoint new advisory panel members (closed session).

From 3:45 p.m.–4:00 p.m., the Council will hear a report from the Personnel Committee (closed session).

From 4:00 p.m.–4:15 p.m., the Council will hear a report from the Shrimp Committee.

From 4:15 p.m.–4:45 p.m., the Council will hear from the Marine Reserves Committee and review and develop a position on the Gray's Reef MOU.

From 4:45 p.m.–5:30 p.m., the Council will hear a report from the Snapper Grouper Committee. The Council will take public comment on the need for an Interim Rule Request for Snapper Grouper Amendment 12 at 4:45 p.m.

June 16, 2000, 8:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m., Council Session;

The Council will hear a presentation from the US Coast Guard; a presentation on the South Carolina/NMFS Cooperative Law Enforcement Agreement; hear from the Dolphin Wahoo Committee regarding the status of public hearings and take actions relative to the draft FMP as necessary; hear an update on the Atlantic Coastal Cooperative Statistics Program (ACCSP); hear a presentation on the status of National policy on vessel monitoring systems; hear NMFS Status Reports on: 1999/2000 Mackerel Framework, Mackerel Amendment 12, Greater Amberjack trip limit resubmittal and Comprehensive Habitat Amendment final rule. The Council will also hear NMFS Status Reports on the landings for: Atlantic king mackerel, Gulf king mackerel (eastern zone), Atlantic Spanish mackerel, Snowy grouper and Golden tilefish, Wreckfish, Greater amberjack and South Atlantic Octocorals. The Council will hear agency and liaison reports and discuss other business and upcoming meetings.

Although non-emergency issues not contained in this agenda may come before this Council for discussion, those issues may not be the subject of formal Council action during this meeting. Council action will be restricted to those issues specifically listed in this notice and any issues arising after publication of this notice that require emergency action under section 305 (c) of the Magnuson-Stevens Act, provided the public has been notified of the Council's intent to take final action to address the emergency.

Special Accommodations

These meetings are physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to the Council office (see **ADDRESSES**) by June 5, 2000.

Dated: May 24, 2000.

Richard W. Surdi,

Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

[Transmittal No. 00–35]

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 Pub. L. 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 00–35 with attached transmittal and policy justification.

Dated: May 24, 2000.

L.M. Bynum,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEFENSE SECURITY COOPERATION AGENCY

WASHINGTON, DC 20301-2800

11 MAY 2000
In reply refer to:
I-00/003804

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, we are forwarding herewith Transmittal No. 00-35, concerning the Department of the Army's proposed Letter(s) of Offer and Acceptance (LOA) to New Zealand for defense articles and services estimated to cost $71 million. Soon after this letter is delivered to your office, we plan to notify the news media.

Sincerely,

MICHAEL S. DAVISON, JR.
LIEUTENANT GENERAL, USA
DIRECTOR

Attachments

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

Transmittal No. 00-35

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

(i) **Prospective Purchaser: New Zealand**

(ii) **Total Estimated Value:**

Major Defense Equipment*	$ 17 million
Other	$ 54 million
TOTAL	$ 71 million

(iii) **Description of Articles or Services Offered: This proposed sale includes 99 AN/VRC-92E, 295 AN/VRC-90E, and 287 AN/PRC-119E SINCGARS radios. Also included are 55 manpack remote control units with Global Position System, 20 manpack retrans units, receivers, installation kits, adapters, spare and repairs parts, support equipment, personnel training and training equipment, publications, U.S. Government and contractor engineering and logistics services and other related elements of program support.**

(iv) **Military Department: Army (VIX, VIY, and VIW)**

(v) **Sales Commission, Fee, etc., Paid, Offered, or Agreed to be Paid: None**

(vi) **Sensitivity of Technology Contained in the Defense Article or Defense Services Proposed to be Sold: None**

(vii) **Date Report Delivered to Congress: 11 MAY 2000**

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

POLICY JUSTIFICATION

New Zealand - SINCGARS Radios

The Government of New Zealand has requested a possible sale for 99 AN/VRC-92E, 295 AN/VRC-90E, and 287 AN/PRC-119E SINCGARS radios. Also included are 55 manpack remote control units with Global Position System, 20 manpack retrans units, receivers, installation kits, adapters, spare and repairs parts, support equipment, personnel training and training equipment, publications, U.S. Government and contractor engineering and logistics services and other related elements of program support. The estimated cost is $71 million.

This proposed sale will contribute to the foreign policy and national security objectives of the United States by improving the military capabilities of New Zealand and further weapon system standardization and interoperability with U.S. forces.

The proposed sale of this equipment will enable New Zealand to provide secure tactical radio transmission that is extremely hard for an enemy to intercept or jam. The New Zealand Defense Force requires the radios as apart of a long-term procurement process designed to increase interoperability with United States lead coalitions, U.S. Forces, and allies of the United States. New Zealand will have no difficulty absorbing this equipment into its armed forces.

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

The prime contractor will be ITT of Fort Wayne, Indiana. There are no offset agreements proposed in connection with this potential sale.

Implementation of this proposed sale will not require the assignment of any additional U.S. Government representatives to New Zealand. There will be 12 contractor representatives for three weeks in support of operator/maintenance training to New Zealand.

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

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