for 155mm munitions, personnel training and training equipment, publications and technical documentation, U.S. Government and contractor engineering, technical and logistics support services, and other related elements of logistics support. The estimated cost is $54 million.

Australia is an important ally in the Western Pacific that contributes significantly to ensuring peace and economic stability in the region. Australia has requested these PGKs to provide for the defense of deployed troops, in pursuit of regional security objectives and interoperability with the United States. This proposed sale is consistent with U.S. objectives to strengthen Australia’s military capabilities and facilitate burden sharing.

(U) The Government of Australia requires these PGKs to provide capabilities vital to defend against external and other potential threats. This proposed sale supports Australia’s efforts to effectively secure its borders and littoral waters, as well as conduct counter-terrorism/counter-piracy operations. The Government of Australia is capable of absorbing and maintaining these guidance kits in its inventory.

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

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE
Office of the Secretary
[Transmittal Nos. 13–21]
36(b)(1) Arms Sales Notification

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.

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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. 13–21, concerning the Department of the Army’s proposed Letter(s) of Offer and Acceptance to Iraq for defense articles and services estimated to cost $339 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,

[Signature]

William E. Lunday III
Vice Admiral, USN
Director

Enclosures:
1. Transmittal
2. Policy Justification
3. Regional Balance (Classified Document Provided Under Separate Cover)

Consideration for Purchase: 19 Mobile Troposcatter Radio Systems, 10 Mobile Microwave Radio Systems, spare and repair parts, support equipment, publications and technical data, personnel training and training equipment, site surveys, U.S. Government and contractor technical assistance, and other related elements of program and logistics support.

Policy Justification

Iraq—Mobile Troposcatter Radio Systems

The Government of Iraq has requested a possible sale of 19 Mobile Troposcatter Radio Systems, 10 Mobile
Microwave Radio Systems, spare and repair parts, support equipment, publications and technical data, personnel training and training equipment, site surveys, U.S. Government and contractor technical assistance, and other related elements of program and logistics support. The estimated cost is $339 million.

This proposed sale will contribute to the foreign policy and national security of the United States by improving the Iraqi military’s situational awareness and enhancing command and control from its National Military Headquarters to major subordinate commands.

The Government of Iraq intends to use these defense articles and services to provide critical redundancy for national level command and control.

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

The principal contractor will be Raytheon Company of Arlington, Virginia. There are no known offset agreements proposed in connection with this potential sale.

Implementation of this proposed sale will require U.S. Government and contractor representatives to travel to Iraq on an as-needed basis to provide program and technical support and training.

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

Written statements that do not pertain to the scheduled meeting of the Panel may be submitted at any time. However, if individual comments pertain to a specific topic being discussed at a planned meeting, then these statements must be submitted no later than 5 business days prior to the meeting in question. The DFO will submit all written statements and provide copies to all the committee members.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: In addition to written statements, the Panel will set aside 1 hour for individuals or interested groups to address the Panel. To ensure consideration of their comments, individuals and interested groups should submit written statements as outlined in this notice; but if they still want to address the Panel, then they will be afforded the opportunity to register the day of the meeting to address the Panel. The Panel’s DFO will have a “Sign-Up Roster” available at the Panel meeting for registration on a first-come, first-serve basis. Those wishing to address the Panel will be given no more than 5 minutes to present their comments, and at the end of the 1 hour time period, no further public comments will be accepted. Anyone who signs-up to address the Panel, but is unable to do so due to the time limitation, may submit their comments in writing; however, they must understand that their written comments may not be reviewed prior to the Panel’s deliberation.

To ensure timeliness of comments for the official record, the Panel encourages that individuals and interested groups consider submitting written statements instead of addressing the Panel.


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