

Department Notification Number: RSAT 26-II.

Pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(b)(5)(C) of the Arms Export Control Act (AECA), as amended, we are forwarding Transmittal No. 26-II. This notification relates to enhancements or upgrades from the level of sensitivity of technology or capability described in the Section 36(b)(1)AECA certification 22-25 of 05/11/2022.

Recipients:

Speaker of the House of Representatives
House Committee on Foreign Affairs
Senate Committee on Foreign Relations
Sincerely,

KATHERINE BOWLES,
Assistant Secretary,
Bureau of Legislative Affairs.

TRANSMITTAL NO. 26-II

REPORT OF ENHANCEMENT OR UPGRADE OF SENSITIVITY OF TECHNOLOGY OR CAPABILITY (SEC. 36(B)(5)(C), AECA)

(i) Prospective Purchaser: Government of the Netherlands.

(ii) Sec. 36(B)(1), AECA Transmittal No.: 22-25; Date: May 26, 2022; Implementing Agency: Navy.

(iii) Description: On May 26, 2022, Congress was notified by congressional certification transmittal number 22-25 of the possible sale, under Section 36(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act, of ninety-five (95) AIM-9X Block II Tactical Missiles; forty-three (43) AIM-9X Block II+ Tactical Missiles; and one (1) AIM-9X Block II+ Tactical Guidance Unit. Also included were containers; classified and unclassified software; U.S. Government and contractor technical assistance; and other related elements of logistical and program support. The total estimated value was \$117 million. Major Defense Equipment (MDE) constituted \$104.6 million of this total.

This transmittal notifies the addition of the following MDE items: up to three hundred ninety-two (392) AIM-9X Sidewinder Block II Tactical Missiles. The following non-MDE items will also be included: additional containers; classified and unclassified software; transportation; technical assistance; U.S. Government and contractor technical assistance; and other related elements of logistical and program support. The estimated total value of the new items is \$295 million. The estimated MDE value will increase by \$269.9 million to a revised \$374.5 million. The estimated non-MDE value will increase by \$25.1 million to a revised \$37.5 million. The estimated total case value will increase by \$295 million to a revised \$412 million.

(iv) Significance: This notification accounts for requested additional MDE and non-MDE items not included in the original notification. The inclusion of this MDE and non-MDE represents an increase in capability over what was previously notified. The proposed articles and services will support the Netherlands' air defense capability by improving its capability to conduct self-defense and regional security missions and enhancing interoperability with the U.S. and other NATO members.

(v) Justification: This proposed sale will support the foreign policy and national security objectives of the United States by improving the security of a NATO Ally which is an important force for political stability and economic progress in Europe.

(vi) Sensitivity of Technology:

The Sensitivity of Technology Statement contained in the original notification applies to items reported here.

The highest level of classification of defense articles, components, and services included in this potential sale is SECRET.

(vii) Date Report Delivered to Congress: September 16, 2026.

ARMS SALES NOTIFICATION

Mr. RISCH. Madam President, section 36(b) of the Arms Export Control Act requires that Congress receive prior notification of certain proposed arms sales as defined by that statute. Upon such notification, the Congress has 30 calendar days during which the sale may be reviewed. The provision stipulates that, in the Senate, the notification of proposed sales shall be sent to the chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee.

In keeping with the committee's intention to see that relevant information is still available to the full Senate, I ask unanimous consent to have printed in the RECORD the notifications that have been received. If the cover letter references a classified annex, then such an annex is available to all Senators in the office of the Foreign Relations Committee, room SD-423.

There being no objection, the material was ordered to be printed in the RECORD, as follows:

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE,
Washington, DC.

CONGRESSIONAL NOTIFICATION TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Please find enclosed the following notification from the Department of State.

Department Notification Number: RSAT 26-IL.

Pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(b)(5)(C) of the Arms Export Control Act (AECA), as amended, we are forwarding Transmittal No. 26-IL. This notification relates to enhancements or upgrades from the level of sensitivity of technology or capability described in the Section 36(b)(1) AECA certification 22-09 of March 15, 2022.

Recipients:

Speaker of the House of Representatives
House Committee on Foreign Affairs
Senate Committee on Foreign Relations
Sincerely,

KATHERINE BOWLES,
Assistant Secretary,
Bureau of Legislative Affairs.

TRANSMITTAL NO. 26-IL

Report of Enhancement or Upgrade of Sensitivity of Technology or Capability (Sec. 36(b)(5)(C), AECA)

(i) Prospective Purchaser: Government of Spain.

(ii) Sec. 36(b)(1), AECA Transmittal No.: 22-09; Date: March 15, 2022; Implementing Agency: Navy.

(iii) Description: On March 15, 2022, Congress was notified by congressional certification transmittal number 22-09 of the possible sale, under Section 36(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act (AECA), of eight (8) MH-60R multi-mission helicopters; twenty (20) T-700-GE-401C engines (16 installed, 4 spares); thirty-two (32) AGM-114R(N) Hellfire missiles, All-up-rounds; two (2) Hellfire II Captive Air Training Missiles; one hundred (100) WGU-59/B Advanced Precision Kill Weapon System (APKWS) II guidance sections, All-up-rounds; eight (8) Link 16 Multifunctional Information Distribution System—Joint Tactical Radio System (MIDS-JTRS) (8 installed); and four (4) Airborne Low Frequency Sonars (ALFS) (4 installed on 4 aircraft). Also included were M514 impulse cartridge/cartridge actuated devices; MJ20 car-

tridge actuated thruster/cartridge actuated devices; WB53 fire extinguisher cartridge/cartridge actuated devices; CCU-136A/A impulse cartridges; M299 Hellfire missile launchers; GAU-21 crew served guns (including pintle and laser pointer); LAU-61 digital rocket launchers; M152 high explosive warheads for airborne 2.75 rockets; MK66 MOD 4, 2.75-inch rocket motors; rocket motors, 2.75-inch, MK-66-4 inert; WTU-1B inert warheads (HA23); AN/ARC-210 RT-2036 radios with Communications Security; AN/AAR-47 missile warning systems; AN/SSQ-62F sonobuoys; AN/SSQ-53G sonobuoys; AN/SSQ-36B sonobuoys; SRQ-4 Hawklink radio terminals with Hawklink crypto control modules; AN/APX-123 Identification Friend or Foe (IFF) transponders; AN/ALE-47 dispenser, electronic countermeasures; Advanced Data Transfer Systems; AN/AAS-44C(V) multi-spectral targeting systems; IFF Mode 4/5 cryptographic applique, KIV-78; Joint Mission Planning System; Embedded Global Positioning System/Precise Positioning Service (GPS/PPS)/Inertial Navigation Systems (EGI) with Selective Availability/Anti-Spoofing Module (SAASM); ALFS (aircraft provisions only for 4 aircraft); AN/ARQ-59 Hawklink radio terminals; Training Simulators/Operational Machine Interface Assistants; tactical operational flight trainer; AN/ALQ-210 Electronic Support Measures systems; APS-153(V) multi-mode radars; spare engine containers; spare and repair parts; support and test equipment; communications equipment; ferry support; publications and technical documentation; personnel training and training equipment; U.S. Government and contractor engineering, technical, and logistics support services; obsolescence engineering, integration, and test activities required to ensure readiness for the production of the Spanish MH-60R helicopters; and other related elements of logistics and program support. The estimated total value was \$950 million. Major Defense Equipment (MDE) constituted \$425 million of this total.

On October 25, 2024, Congress was notified by Congressional certification transmittal number 24-0X, under Section 36(b)(5)(C) of the Arms Export Control Act, of the addition of the following MDE items: replacement of the previously notified non-MDE EGI with SAASM for, twenty-four (24) MDE EGI with SAASM; and replacement of the previously notified twenty (20) MDE T-700-GE-401C engines for twenty (20) MDE T-700-401D engines. Also included were Infrared Zoom Laser Illuminator Designators; AN/PYQ-10 Simple Key Loaders; and other related elements of logistics and program support. The total notified MDE value increased by \$50 million to \$475 million, and the total notified case value remained at \$950 million.

This transmittal notifies the inclusion of the following MDE items: two (2) AN/AQS-22 ALFS; two (2) MIDS-JTRS; and four (4) EGIs. The following non-MDE items will also be included: aircraft components; parts and accessories; and non-recurring engineering costs. The estimated total value of the new items is \$250 million. The estimated MDE value will increase by \$60 million to a revised \$535 million. The estimated non-MDE value will increase by \$190 million to a revised \$665 million. The estimated total case value will increase by \$250 million to a revised \$1.2 billion. MDE constitutes \$535 million of this total.

(iv) Significance: This notification accounts for requested additional MDE and non-MDE items not included in the original notification. The inclusion of this MDE represents an increase in capability over what was previously notified. The proposed articles and services will support Spain's capability to perform anti-surface and anti-submarine warfare missions along with the ability to perform secondary missions including

vertical replenishment, search and rescue, and communications relay and will bolster the Spanish Navy's ability to support NATO and remain interoperable with the U.S. and the NATO alliance.

(v) Justification: This proposed sale will support the foreign policy goals and national security objectives of the United States by improving the security of a NATO ally that is a force for political stability and economic progress in Europe.

(vi) Sensitivity of Technology:

The Sensitivity of Technology Statement contained in the original notification applies to items reported here.

The highest level of classification of defense articles, components, and services included in this potential sale is SECRET.

(vii) Date Report Delivered to Congress: September 16, 2026.

ARMS SALES NOTIFICATION

Mr. RISCH. Madam President, section 36(b) of the Arms Export Control Act requires that Congress receive prior notification of certain proposed arms sales as defined by that statute. Upon such notification, the Congress has 30 calendar days during which the sale may be reviewed. The provision stipulates that, in the Senate, the notification of proposed sales shall be sent to the chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee.

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There being no objection, the material was ordered to be printed in the RECORD, as follows:

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE,
Washington, DC.

CONGRESSIONAL NOTIFICATION TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Please find enclosed the following notification from the Department of State.

Department Notification Number: RSAT 26-93.

Pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act (AECA), as amended, we are forwarding Transmittal No. 26-93 concerning the Navy's proposed Letter(s) of Offer and Acceptance to the Government of Spain for defense articles and services estimated to cost \$75 million. We will issue a news release to notify the public of this proposed sale upon delivery of this letter to your office.

Recipients:

Speaker of the House of Representatives
House Committee on Foreign Affairs
Senate Committee on Foreign Relations

Sincerely,

KATHERINE BOWLES,
Assistant Secretary,
Bureau of Legislative Affairs.

TRANSMITTAL NO. 26-93

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: Government of Spain.

(ii) Total Estimated Value:

Major Defense Equipment* \$27 million.

Other \$48 million.

Total \$75 million.

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

Major Defense Equipment (MDE):

Seven (7) Sonar, Mine Hunting, AN/SQ-32(V)3+ upgrade kits.

Non-MDE: The following non-MDE items will also be included: towed body parts; support equipment; spare parts, consumables, and accessories; unclassified operation and maintenance software; unclassified publications, technical documentation; and studies and surveys; U.S. government and contractor engineering, technical, and logistics support services; and other related elements of logistics and program support.

(iv) Military Department: Navy (SP-P-LIM).

(v) Prior Related Cases, if any: None.

(vi) Sales Commission, Fee, etc., Paid, Offered, or Agreed to be Paid: None known at this time.

(vii) Sensitivity of Technology Contained in the Defense Article or Defense Services Proposed to be Sold: See Attached Annex.

(viii) Date Report Delivered to Congress: September 16, 2026.

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

POLICY JUSTIFICATION

Spain—Sonar Upgrade Kits

The Government of Spain has requested to buy seven (7) Sonar, Mine Hunting, AN/SQ-32(V)3+ upgrade kits. The following non-MDE items will also be included: towed body parts; support equipment; spare parts, consumables, and accessories; unclassified operation and maintenance software; unclassified publications, technical documentation; and studies and surveys; U.S. Government and contractor engineering, technical, and logistics support services; and other related elements of logistics and program support. The estimated total cost is \$75 million.

This proposed sale will support the foreign policy goals and national security objectives of the United States by improving the security of a NATO ally that is a force for political stability and economic progress in Europe.

The proposed sale will improve Spain's capability to meet current and future threats by providing an advanced and reliable sonar system, enhancing its ability to detect, classify, and neutralize underwater threats. This modernization prevents a capability gap in Spain's Mine Countermeasure forces and ensures continued contribution to NATO maritime security operations. Spain will have no difficulty absorbing these articles and services into its armed forces.

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

There is no principal contractor in connection with this sale. The articles and support will be provided by the Naval Surface Warfare Center, located in Panama City, FL. At this time, the U.S. Government is not aware of any offset agreement proposed in connection with this potential sale.

Implementation of this proposed sale will not require the assignment of any additional U.S. Government or contractor representatives to Spain.

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

TRANSMITTAL NO. 26-93

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. The AN/SQ-32 sonar is a variable-depth mine-hunting sonar system designed for detecting and classifying moored and bottom mines in mine countermeasure operations. It includes two separate active sonar systems to detect and classify mine-like objects on the surface in the volume or on the bottom of the sea. The sonar systems are packaged in a single towed body tethered to the ship through a cable providing power and data transmission with the cable length variable via an electric winch.

2. The detect and classify sonar subsystems are independently monitored and controlled by two operators at independent panels working together to find and characterize underwater objects as mine or non-mine like objects. The detection system is a low frequency, low resolution, high range sonar designed to provide a general location of possible mine-like objects. It provides much greater range than the classify sonar system, but provides little resolution and detail of the objects it detects. The classify sonar has a lower range, but higher frequency and higher resolution, allowing the classification of a target as mine-like or non-mine-like.

3. The highest level of classification of defense articles, components, and services included in this potential sale is SECRET.

4. If a technologically advanced adversary were to obtain knowledge of the specific hardware and software elements, the information could be used to develop countermeasures that might reduce system effectiveness or be used in the development of a system with similar or advanced capabilities.

5. A determination has been made that Spain can provide substantially the same degree of protection for the sensitive technology being released as the U.S. Government. This proposed sale is necessary in furtherance of the U.S. foreign policy and national security objectives outlined in the Policy Justification.

6. All defense articles and services listed in this transmittal have been authorized for release and export to the Government of Spain.

VOTE EXPLANATION

Mr. VAN HOLLEN. Madam President, this afternoon, I missed rollcall vote No. 238, confirmation of the nomination of Kasdin Miller Mitchell to be U.S. District Judge for the Northern District of Texas. Had I been present, I would have voted no.

ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

TRIBUTE TO SHAUN SULLIVAN

• Ms. HASSAN. Madam President, I am honored to recognize Shaun Sullivan of Hampton as September's Granite Stater of the Month for his extraordinary commitment to public service and nearly two decades of work supporting vulnerable children in Rwanda.

Shaun's commitment to serving others began in New Hampshire. After attending Lakes Region Community College to learn about fire science and emergency services, he served as an on-call firefighter in Merrimack. He then spent a decade fighting wildfires across the country, including 6 years on a specialized "hotshot crew" in California and as an Alaska smokejumper that tackled the biggest and most severe