

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration**

[I.D. 100101G]

New England Fishery Management Council; Public Meetings

AGENCY: National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of public meetings.

SUMMARY: The New England Fishery Management Council (Council) is scheduling a public meeting of its Groundfish Oversight Committee, Scallop Oversight Committee and Red Crab Oversight Committee in October, 2001 to consider actions affecting New England fisheries in the exclusive economic zone (EEZ).

Recommendations from these groups will be brought to the full Council for formal consideration and action, if appropriate.

DATES: The meetings will be held from October 24 to October 29, 2001. See **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** for specific dates and times.

ADDRESSES: The meetings will be held in Peabody and Danvers, MA, and Warwick, RI. See **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** for specific locations.

Council address: New England Fishery Management Council, 50 Water Street, Mill 2, Newburyport, MA 01950.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Paul J. Howard, Executive Director, New England Fishery Management Council; (978) 465-0492.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**Meeting Dates and Agendas**

Wednesday, October 24, 2001, 9:30 a.m.—Groundfish Oversight Committee Meeting.

Location: Holiday Inn, One Newbury Street, Peabody, MA 01960; telephone: (978) 535-4600.

The committee will meet to continue development of Framework 36 to the Northeast Multispecies Fishery Management Plan (FMP). Framework 36 was initiated by the Council in January, 2001, to address the following issues: reducing excessive regulatory discards

of Gulf of Maine cod resulting from a trip limit, meeting the fishing mortality objectives for Gulf of Maine cod, extending and/or adjusting the Western Gulf of Maine closure (currently scheduled to open May, 1, 2002), considering allowing access to groundfish closures by tuna purse seine vessels, and expanding the area for the northern shrimp exempted fishery. Options under consideration include a wide variety of management tools (closed areas, gear restrictions, effort restrictions, trip limits, recreational fishing restrictions, etc.). The committee may also meet in closed session to discuss the advisory panel membership.

Thursday, October 25th, 2001 at 9:30 a.m. and Friday October 26, 2001 at 8:30 a.m.—Scallop Oversight Committee Meeting.

Location: Crowne Plaza Hotel, 801 Greenwich Avenue, Warwick, RI 02886; telephone: (401) 732-6000.

The Oversight Committee will continue development of management alternatives for Draft Amendment 10 to the Sea Scallop FMP. The committee discussion will focus on measures (bycatch total allowable catches, gear modifications, rock chains, etc.) to reduce bycatch and habitat impacts, measures to improve data collection, measures to manage scallop fishing by vessels with General Category permits, a 12-day maximum trip length proposal, a minimum 120-day allocation principal, hardship exemptions for carrying forward day-at-sea allocations, and incentive programs for using improved gear. Other issues and measures associated with Amendment 10 may also be developed.

Monday, October 29, 2001 at 9:00 a.m.—Red Crab Oversight Committee Meeting.

Location: Sheraton Ferncroft, 50 Ferncroft Road, Danvers, MA 01923; telephone: (978) 777-2500.

The Committee will review the draft Red Crab FMP, Draft Environmental Impact Statement, and draft public hearing document. They will also review the proposed management measures and alternatives and may select preferred alternatives to recommend to the full Council.

Although non-emergency issues not contained in this agenda may come before this group for discussion, those

issues may not be the subject of formal action during this meeting. 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 Paul J. Howard (see **ADDRESSES**) at least 5 days prior to the meeting dates.

Dated: October 4, 2001.

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. 01-27]

36(b)(1) Arms Sales Notification

AGENCY: Defense Security Cooperation Agency, Department of Defense.

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 P.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 01-27 with attached transmittal and policy justification.

Dated: October 3, 2001.

L.M. Bynum,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEFENSE SECURITY COOPERATION AGENCY

WASHINGTON, DC 20301-2800

26 SEP 2001
In reply refer to:
I-01/010551

The 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. 01-27, concerning the Department of the Army's proposed Letter(s) of Offer and Acceptance (LOA) to Egypt for defense articles and services estimated to cost \$98 million. Soon after this letter is delivered to your office, we plan to notify the news media.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Tome H. Walters, Jr.".

TOME H. WALTERS, JR.
LIEUTENANT GENERAL, USAF
DIRECTOR

Attachments

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

Transmittal No. 01-27

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

- (i) **Prospective Purchaser:** Egypt
- (ii) **Total Estimated Value:**
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| Major Defense Equipment* | \$ 0 million |
| Other | <u>\$98 million</u> |
| TOTAL | \$98 million |
- (iii) **Description and Quantity or Quantities of Articles or Services under Consideration for Purchase:** Two hundred forty wheeled bulldozers, spare and repair parts, support equipment, a U.S. Government Quality Assurance Team, personnel training and training equipment, publications and technical documents, and U.S. Government and contractor engineering and logistics services.
- (iv) **Military Department:** Army (UII)
- (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:** 26 SEP 2001

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

POLICY JUSTIFICATION

Egypt - Wheeled Bulldozers and Logistics Services

The Government of Egypt has requested the possible sale of 240 wheeled bulldozers, spare and repair parts, support equipment, a U.S. Government Quality Assurance Team, personnel training and training equipment, publications and technical documents, and U.S. Government and contractor engineering and logistics services. The estimated cost is \$98 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 which has been and continues to be an important force for political stability and economic progress in Middle East.

Egypt requires the bulldozers for General Military and Civil Engineering support. The equipment will be assigned to various departments within the Egyptian Armed Forces and used to construct facilities as required. Egypt will have no difficulty absorbing the bulldozers in its armed forces.

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

At this time, the prime contractor is unknown, as the award will be made on a competitive basis. There are no offset agreements proposed in connection with this potential sale.

Implementation of this proposed sale will require the assignment of a Quality Assurance team for a three month interval, twice annually, to prepare for operational use and insure fully mission capability of the vehicles. There will be one contractor representative for a period of one year in Egypt.

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

Meeting of the Defense Finance and Accounting Service Board of Advisors

AGENCY: Department of Defense, Office of the Under Secretary of Defense (Comptroller).

ACTION: Notice of Meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice sets forth the schedule and summary agenda for the first meeting of the Defense Finance and Accounting Service (DFAS) Board of Advisors. The Deputy Secretary of Defense chartered the Board on October 4, 2000, to provide advice and recommendations to the Secretary of Defense and Deputy Secretary of Defense regarding the mission of DFAS as it transforms its financial management operations, processes, and systems. The meeting will be open to the public. Notice of this meeting is

required under the Federal Advisory Committee Act.

DATES: Wednesday, October 31, 2001.

ADDRESSES: Sheraton Crystal City, Ballroom C, 1800 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, VA 22202.

Proposed Schedule and Agenda: The Defense Finance and Accounting Service Board of Advisors will meet in open session from 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. on October 31, 2001. The meeting will include discussions on the DFAS Strategic Plan and Balanced Scorecard, DFAS Competitive Sourcing Program, and Financial Management Reform Plans and Initiatives.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION: Contact Major Dianne Armon, Resource Management, DFAS, Crystal Mall 3 (room 200), 1931 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, VA 22240. Telephone (703) 607-5184.

Public seating is limited, and is available on a first-come-first-served basis.

Dated: October 3, 2001.

L.M. Bynum,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

Threat Reduction Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Department of Defense, Office of the Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition, Technology and Logistics).

ACTION: Notice of Advisory Committee Meeting.

SUMMARY: The Threat Reduction Advisory Committee will meet in closed session on Thursday November 8, 2001, at the Institute for Defense Analyses (IDA), and on Friday, November 9, 2001 in the Pentagon, Washington, D.C.

The mission of the Committee is to advise the Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition, Technology and Logistics) on technology security, counter-proliferation, chemical and biological