

Transmittal No. 02-52**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 external view of the AIM-9M-1-2 Sidewinder missile is **Unclassified and not sensitive**. The guidance and control system (GCS) and target detector (TD) are **Confidential and contain sensitive state-of-the-art technology**.

2. 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.

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

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

[Transmittal No. 02-53]

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 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 02-53 with attached transmittal and policy justification.

Dated: September 9, 2002.

Patricia L. Toppings,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEFENSE SECURITY COOPERATION AGENCY

WASHINGTON, DC 20301-2800

4 SEP 2002
In reply refer to:
I-02/009988

**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 (AECA), as amended, we are forwarding herewith Transmittal No. 02-53, concerning the Department of the Air Force's proposed Letter(s) of Offer and Acceptance (LOA) to Belgium for defense articles and services estimated to cost \$50 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 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. 02-53

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of the Arms Export Control Act, as amended**

- (i) **Prospective Purchaser:** Belgium
- (ii) **Total Estimated Value:**
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|--------------------------|---------------------|
| Major Defense Equipment* | \$33 million |
| Other | <u>\$17 million</u> |
| TOTAL | \$50 million |
- (iii) **Description and Quantity or Quantities of Articles or Services under Consideration for Purchase:** 90 AN/USQ-140(V) Multi-Functional Information Distribution System Terminals, modification kits, personnel training and training equipment, data link testing, support and test equipment, software support, publications and technical data, spare and repair parts, U.S. Government and contractor technical and logistics assistance and other related elements of logistics support.
- (iv) **Military Department:** Air Force (DZV)
- (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:** 4 SEP 2002

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

POLICY JUSTIFICATION**Belgium – Multi-Functional Information Distribution System Terminals**

The Government of Belgium has requested a possible sale of 90 AN/USQ-140(V) Multi-Functional Information Distribution System Terminals, modification kits, personnel training and training equipment, data link testing, support and test equipment, software support, publications and technical data, spare and repair parts, U.S. Government and contractor technical and logistics assistance and other related elements of logistics support. The estimated cost is \$50 million.

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

Belgium needs these additional Multi-Functional Information Distribution System Terminals to implement the Link-16 capability in their F-16 aircraft.

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

The principal contractors will be: Rockwell Collins/Data Link Solutions of Cedar Rapids, Iowa and VIASAT Incorporation of Carlsbad, California. 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 or contractor representatives to Belgium.

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 No. 02-56]

36(b)(1) Arms Sales Notification

AGENCY: Department of Defense, Defense Security Cooperation Agency.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: 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 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 02-56 with attached transmittal, policy justification, and Sensitivity of Technology.

Dated: September 9, 2002.

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