

Item	Estimated time for response	Estimated annual responses	Estimated annual burden hours
Application for Recordal of Insignia or Renewal/Reactivation of Recordal Under the Fastener Quality Act (PTO-1611).	15 minutes	130	33
Total	130	33

Estimated Total Annual Non-hour Respondent Cost Burden: \$2,845. There are no capital start-up costs, recordkeeping costs, or maintenance costs associated with this information collection. However, this collection does have annual (non-hour) costs in the form of filing fees and postage costs.

Under 37 CFR 2.7, the filing fee for a recordal of fastener insignia is \$20, whether it be a new recordal, renewal, or a request for reactivation. The USPTO estimates that it will receive 125 new recordals or renewals of fastener insignia per year for a total of \$2,500 in filing fees. If a manufacturer submits a renewal after the expiration date but within six months of that date, then the manufacturer must pay an additional \$20 late renewal surcharge. The USPTO estimates that approximately 10 of the estimated 125 responses per year will be late renewals that incur the surcharge, for a total of \$200 in additional charges. If a manufacturer fails to renew or assigns an alphanumeric designation assigned by the USPTO to a new owner, the current owner may submit a request for reactivation of that same alphanumeric designation for a fee of \$20. The USPTO estimates approximately 5 reactivation requests will be received per year, for a total of \$100. Therefore, the total estimated filing costs for this collection will be \$2,800 per year.

The public may submit the information for this collection to the USPTO by mail through the United States Postal Service. The USPTO estimates that approximately 60 of the

130 responses per year will be submitted to the USPTO by mail at an average first-class postage cost of 75 cents per response, for a total postage cost of \$45 per year.

The total non-hour respondent cost burden for this collection in the form of filing fees (\$2,800) and postage costs (\$45) is estimated to be \$2,845 per year.

IV. Request for Comments

Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden (including hours and cost) of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, *e.g.*, the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized or included in the request for OMB approval of this information collection; they also will become a matter of public record.

Dated: October 10, 2008.

Susan K. Fawcett,

Records Officer, USPTO, Office of the Chief Information Officer, Customer Information Services Group, Public Information Services Division.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

[Transmittal Nos. 08-96]

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. B. English, DSCA/DBO/CFM, (703) 601-3740.

The following is a copy of a letter to the Speaker of the House of Representatives, Transmittals 08-96 with attached transmittal, policy justification, Sensitivity of Technology, and Section 620C(d).

Dated: October 7, 2008.

Patricia L. Toppings,

OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEFENSE SECURITY COOPERATION AGENCY
2800 DEFENSE PENTAGON
WASHINGTON, DC 20301-2800

SEP 26 2008

In reply refer to:
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The Honorable Nancy Pelosi
Speaker of the House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515-6501

Dear Madam 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. 08-96, concerning the Department of the Air Force's proposed Letters(s) of Offer and Acceptance to Turkey for defense articles and services estimated to cost \$157 million. After this letter is delivered to your office, we plan to issue a press statement to notify the public of this proposed sale.

You will also find attached a certification as required by Section 620C(d) of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, as amended, that this action is consistent with the principles set forth in subsection 620C(b) of that Act as codified in section 2373 of title 22, United States Code.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jeffrey A. Wieringa".

Jeffrey A. Wieringa
Vice Admiral, USN
Director

Enclosures:

1. Transmittal
2. Policy Justification
3. Sensitivity of Technology
4. Section 620C(d)

Same ltr to:

House
Committee on Foreign Affairs
Committee on Armed Services
Committee on Appropriations

Senate
Committee on Foreign Relations
Committee on Armed Services
Committee on Appropriations

Transmittal No. 08-96**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:** Turkey
- (ii) **Total Estimated Value:**
- | | |
|--------------------------|----------------------|
| Major Defense Equipment* | \$144 million |
| Other | \$ <u>13 million</u> |
| TOTAL | \$157 million |
- (iii) **Description and Quantity or Quantities of Articles or Services under Consideration for Purchase:** 107 AIM-120C-7 Advanced Medium Range Air-to-Air Missiles (AMRAAM), 2 Missile Guidance Sections, missile containers, spare and repair parts, support and test equipment, publications and technical documentation, personnel training and training equipment, U.S. Government and contractor engineering, technical and logistics support services, and other related elements of logistical and program support.
- (iv) **Military Department:** Air Force (YAE)
- (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:** See Annex attached.
- (viii) **Date Report Delivered to Congress:** SEP 26 2008

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

POLICY JUSTIFICATION**Turkey – AIM-120C-7 AMRAAM Missiles**

The Government of Turkey has requested a possible sale of 107 AIM-120C-7 Advanced Medium Range Air-to-Air Missiles (AMRAAM), 2 Missile Guidance Sections, missile containers, spare and repair parts, support and test equipment, publications and technical documentation, personnel training and training equipment, U.S. Government and contractor engineering, technical and logistics support services, and other related elements of logistical and program support. The estimated cost is \$157 million.

Turkey is a partner of the United States in ensuring peace and stability in the region. It is vital to the U.S. national interest to assist our North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) Ally in developing and maintaining a strong and ready self-defense capability that will contribute to an acceptable military balance in the area. This proposed sale is consistent with those objectives.

Turkey needs these capabilities for self defense modernization, regional security, and U.S. and NATO interoperability. This modernization will enhance the Turkish Air Force's ability to defend Turkey while patrolling the nation's extensive coastline and borders to protect against future threats. The proposed sale will also enhance Turkey's ability to contribute to Global War on Terrorism efforts and NATO operations. The Turkish Air Force will have no difficulty absorbing these missiles into its armed forces.

The prime contractor will be Raytheon Electronic and Missile Systems of Tucson, Arizona. There are no known offset agreements proposed in connection with this potential sale.

Implementation of this sale will not require the assignment of any additional U. S. Government personnel in-country.

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

Transmittal No. 08-96**Notice of Proposed Issuance of Letter of Offer
Pursuant to Section 36(b)(1)
of the Arms Export Control Act, as amended****Annex
Item No. vii****(vii) Sensitivity of Technology:**

1. The AIM-120C-7 Advanced Medium Range Air-to-Air Missile (AMRAAM) is a new generation air-to-air missile. The AIM-120C-7 AMRAAM hardware, including the Missile Guidance Section, is classified Confidential. State-of-the-art technology is used in the missile to provide it with unique beyond-visual-range capability. Significant AIM-120C-7 features include a target detection device with embedded electronic countermeasures, an electronics unit within the guidance section that performs all radar signal processing, mid-course and terminal guidance, flight control, target detection and warhead burst point determination. Anti-tampering security measures have been incorporated into the AIM-120C-7 to prevent exploitation of the AMRAAM software.

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 systems effectiveness or could be used in the development of a system with similar or advanced capabilities.

CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO SECTION 620C(d) OF THE FOREIGN ASSISTANCE ACT OF 1961, AS AMENDED

Pursuant to Section 620C(d) of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, as amended (the Act), Executive Order 12163 and State Department Delegation of Authority No. 145, I hereby certify that the sale of defense articles and defense services, to include 107 AIM-120C-7 Advanced Medium Range Air-to-Air Missiles (AMRAAM), 2 Missile Guidance Sections, missile containers, spare and repair parts, logistical and program support to the Government of Turkey is consistent with the principles set forth in Section 620C(b) of the Act.

This certification will be made part of the notification to Congress in accordance with Section 36(b) of the Arms Export Control Act, as amended, regarding the proposed sale of the above-named articles and services and is based on the justification accompanying said notification, of which said justification constitutes a full explanation.



John Rood
Acting Under Secretary of State
For Arms Control and
International Security

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

[Transmittal Nos. 08-90]

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AGENCY: Department of Defense, Defense Security Cooperation Agency.

ACTION: Notice.

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FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. B. English, DSCA/DBO/CFM, (703) 601-3740.

The following is a copy of a letter to the Speaker of the House of Representatives, Transmittals 08-90 with attached transmittal, and policy justification.

Dated: October 7, 2008.

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Department of Defense.

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