Policy Justification

The Government of the Republic of Korea has requested a possible sale of 8 MH–60R SEAHAWK Multi-Mission Helicopters.

The Government of the Republic of Korea is one of the major political and economic powers in East Asia and the Western Pacific and a key partner of the United States in ensuring peace and stability in that region. It is vital to the U.S. national interest to assist our Korean ally in developing and maintaining a strong and ready self-defense capability, which will contribute to an acceptable military balance in the area. This proposed sale is consistent with those objectives.

The proposed sale of the MH–60R SEAHAWK helicopter will improve South Korea’s capability to meet current and future threats from enemy Anti-Surface Warfare (ASW) capabilities. The sale of these MH–60R helicopters will enhance interoperability with U.S. Naval forces, and add to the military stability of the region. Korea will have no difficulty absorbing these helicopters into its armed forces.

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

The prime contractors will be Sikorsky Aircraft Corporation in Stratford, Connecticut; Lockheed Martin in Owego, New York; and General Electric in Lynn, Massachusetts. There are no offset agreements proposed in connection with this potential sale.

Implementation of this proposed sale will require multiple trips to Korea involving U.S. Government or contractor representatives on a temporary basis for program and technical support, and management oversight.

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

Transmittal No. 12–21
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 MH–60R SEAHAWK Multi-Mission Helicopter contains new generation technology. It is equipped for a range of missions including: anti-submarine warfare (ASW), anti-surface warfare (ASuW), search and rescue (SAR), naval gunfire support, surveillance, communications relay, logistics support, personnel transfer, and vertical replenishment. The navigation suite includes an LN–100G dual embedded global positioning system and inertial navigation system. The helicopter is equipped with a fully digital communications suite with ARC–210 radios for Ultra High Frequency/Very High Frequency voice communications, and an L–3 Communications Ku-band Data Link. The helicopter is fitted with the AN/AAS–44 Multi-Spectral Targeting System (MTS), AN/ALQ–210 electronic support measures system (ESM), and AN/APS–153 Multi-Mode Radar (MMR). The electronic warfare systems include the AN/AAR–47 missile warning system, AN/ALQ–144 infrared jammer, Identify Friend or Foe (IFF) Mode-4 and AN/ALE–47 chaff and flare decoy dispenser. The MH–60R, including the mission equipment, is classified Secret.
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 weapons systems effectiveness or be used in the development of a system with similar or advanced capabilities.

41 CFR 102–3.150, the Department of Defense announces the following Federal advisory committee meeting of the Reserve Forces Policy Board.

DATES: Wednesday, June 13, 2012, from 8:00 a.m.–3:40 p.m.

ADDRESSES: Meeting address is the Pentagon, Room 3E863, Arlington, VA. Mailing address is Reserve Forces Policy Board, 5113 Leesburg Pike, Suite 601, Falls Church, VA 22041.

For further information contact: CDR Steven Knight, Designated Federal Officer, (703) 681–0608 (Voice), (703) 681–0002 (Facsimile), RFPB@osd.mil. Mailing address is Reserve Forces Policy Board, 5113 Leesburg Pike, Suite 601, Falls Church, VA 22041. Web site: http://ra.defense.gov/rfpb/.

Supplementary information:

Purpose of the Meeting: The Reserve Forces Policy Board will hold a meeting from 8:00 a.m. until 3:40 p.m. The portion of the meeting from 9:00 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. will be closed and is not open to the public.


Meeting Accessibility: In accordance with section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, Public Law 92–463, as amended (5 U.S.C. App. 2) and 41 CFR 102–3.155, the Department of Defense has determined that the portion of this meeting from 9:00 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. will be closed to the public. Specifically, the Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), with the coordination of the DoD Office of General Counsel, has determined in writing that this portion of the meeting will be closed to the public because it will discuss matters listed in 5 U.S.C. 552(b)(c)(1). Pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552b, as amended, and 41 CFR 102–3.140 through 102–3.165, and the availability of space, the open portion of the meeting is open to the public. To request a seat, interested persons must phone the Designated Federal Officer no later than June 4, 2012 at the number in FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT.

Written Statements: Pursuant to 41 CFR 102–3.105(j) and 102–3.140, interested persons may submit written statements to the Reserve Forces Policy Board at any time. Written statements should be submitted to the Reserve Forces Policy Board’s Designated Federal Officer at the address or facsimile number in FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT.

If statements pertain to a specific topic being discussed at a planned meeting, then these statements must be submitted no later than five (5) business days prior to

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE
Office of the Secretary

Reserve Forces Policy Board (RFPB):
Notice of Advisory Committee Meeting

AGENCY: Department of Defense, Office of the Secretary of Defense Reserve Forces Policy Board.

ACTION: Notice of Advisory Committee meeting.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972 (5 U.S.C., Appendix, as amended), the Sunshine in the Government Act of 1976 (5 U.S.C. 552b, as amended), and
the meeting in question. The Designated Federal Officer will review all submitted written statements and provide copies to all the committee members.


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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE
Department of the Air Force
[Docket ID USAF–2012–0011]
Privacy Act of 1974; System of Records
AGENCY: Department of the Air Force, DoD.
ACTION: Notice to Alter a System of Records.
SUMMARY: The Department of the Air Force proposes to alter a system of records in its inventory of record systems subject to the Privacy Act of 1974 (5 U.S.C. 552a), as amended.
DATES: This proposed action will be effective on June 28, 2012 unless comments are received which result in a contrarily determination.
ADDRESSES: You may submit comments, identified by docket number and title, by any of the following methods:
  • Mail: Federal Docket Management System Office, 4800 Mark Center Drive, East Tower, 2nd Floor, Suite 02G09, Alexandria, VA 22350–3100.
  Instructions: All submissions received must include the agency name and docket number for this Federal Register document. The general policy for comments and other submissions from members of the public is to make these submissions available for public viewing on the Internet at http://www.regulations.gov as they are received without change, including any personal identifiers or contact information.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Department of the Air Force’s notices for systems of records subject to the Privacy Act of 1974 (5 U.S.C. 552a), as amended, have been published in the Federal Register and are available from the address in FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT. The proposed system report, as required by 5 U.S.C. 552a(r) of the Privacy Act of 1974, as amended, was submitted on May 17, 2012, to the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, the Senate Committee on Governmental Affairs, and the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) pursuant to paragraph 4c of Appendix I to OMB Circular No. A–130, “Federal Agency Responsibilities for Maintaining Records About Individuals,” dated February 8, 1996 (February 20, 1996, 61 FR 6427).


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CATEGORIES OF RECORDS IN THE SYSTEM:
Delete entry and replace with “Individual’s name, Social Security Number (SSN), case number, address, phone number, reports of investigations, statements of individuals, correspondence, and other information collected during investigation of and pertaining to complaints made to or investigated by the Air Force Inspector General.”
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RETRIEVABILITY:
Delete entry and replace with “Retrieved by last name and either SSN or case number.”
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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE
Department of the Navy
Meeting of the U.S. Naval Academy Board of Visitors
AGENCY: Department of the Navy, DoD.
ACTION: Notice of partially closed meeting.
SUMMARY: The U.S. Naval Academy Board of Visitors will meet to make such inquiry, as the Board shall deem necessary, into the state of morale and discipline, the curriculum, instruction, physical equipment, fiscal affairs, and academic methods of the Naval Academy. The executive session of this meeting from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. on June 11, 2012, will include discussions of disciplinary matters, law enforcement investigations into allegations of criminal activity, and personnel issues at the Naval Academy, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy. For this reason, the executive session of this meeting will be closed to the public.
DATES: The open session of the meeting will be held on June 11, 2012, from 8:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. The closed session of this meeting will be the executive session held from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held in the Bo Coppege Room at the Naval Academy in Annapolis, Maryland. The meeting will be handicap accessible.