

Transmittal No. 13-31

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:* Finland
- (ii) *Total Estimated Value:*

Major Defense Equipment* ..	\$0.0 million
Other	\$170.0 million
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Total	\$170.0 million

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

(iii) *Description and Quantity or Quantities of Articles or Services under Consideration for Purchase:* follow-on equipment and support for Finland's F-18 Mid-Life Upgrade (MLU) Program, consisting of F-18C/D Fleet Retrofit Kits of the following systems: 69 KIV-78s (Mode 5 Identification Friend or Foe), 69 AN/APX-11-30s (Combined Interrogator/Transponders), Multifunctional Information Distribution Systems, and 32 SUU-63 pylons. The proposed program support includes software test and integration center upgrades, flight testing, spare and repair parts, support and test equipment, transportation, publications and technical documentation, personnel training and training equipment, U.S. Government and contractor technical and logistics support services, and other related elements of logistics support.

- (iv) *Military Department:* Navy (GAU)
- (v) *Prior Related Cases:*

FMS case SAA—\$2.4 billion—9Jun92
 FMS case SAB—\$702 million—7Feb94
 FMS case GAD—\$25 million—13Jul01
 FMS case LBB—\$63 million—4Aug01
 FMS case LBC—\$127 million—1Jan04
 FMS case LBD—\$252 million—25Jul07
 FMS case LBH—\$307 million—3Apr09

- (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:* 27 June 2013

POLICY JUSTIFICATION

Finland—F-18 Mid-Life Upgrade Program

The Government of Finland has requested a possible sale of follow-on equipment and support for Finland's F-18 Mid-Life Upgrade (MLU) Program, consisting of F-18C/D Fleet Retrofit Kits of the following systems: 69 KIV-78s (Mode 5 Identification Friend or Foe), 69 AN/APX-11-30s (Combined Interrogator/Transponders), Multifunctional Information Distribution Systems, and 32 SUU-63 pylons. The proposed program support includes software test and integration center upgrades, flight testing, spare and repair parts, support and test equipment, transportation, publications and technical documentation, personnel training and training equipment, U.S. Government and contractor technical and logistics support services, and other related elements of logistics support. The estimated cost is \$170 million.

The 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 Europe.

The Finnish Air Force (FAF) intends to purchase the MLU Program equipment to extend the useful life of its F-18 fighter aircraft and enhance their survivability and communications connectivity. The FAF needs this upgrade to keep pace with technology advances in sensors, weaponry, and communications. Finland has extensive experience operating the F-18 aircraft and will have no difficulty incorporating the upgraded capabilities into its forces.

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

The principal contractors will be Raytheon in Waltham, Massachusetts; Lockheed Martin in Bethesda,

Maryland; The Boeing Company in St. Louis, Missouri; BAE North America in Arlington, Virginia; General Electric in Fairfield, Connecticut; General Dynamics in West Falls Church, Virginia; Northrop Grumman in Falls Church, Virginia; and Rockwell Collins in Cedar Rapids, Iowa. There are no known offset agreements proposed in connection with this potential sale.

Implementation of this proposed sale will require multiple trips to Finland involving U.S. Government and contractor representatives for technical reviews/support, program management, and training.

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 Nos. 13-27]

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 Public Law 104-164 dated July 21, 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, Transmittal 13-27 with attached transmittal, and policy justification.

Dated: July 2, 2013.

Aaron Siegel,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEFENSE SECURITY COOPERATION AGENCY
 201 12TH STREET SOUTH, STE 203
 ARLINGTON, VA 22202-5408

The Honorable John A. Boehner
 Speaker of the House
 U.S. House of Representatives
 Washington, DC 20515

JUN 27 2013

Dear Mr. 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. 13-27, concerning the Department of the Air Force's proposed Letter(s) of Offer and Acceptance to Qatar for defense articles and services estimated to cost \$35 million. After this letter is delivered to your office, we plan to issue a press statement to notify the public of this proposed sale.

Sincerely,

William E. Landay III
 For William E. Landay III
 Vice Admiral, USN
 Director

Enclosures:

1. Transmittal
2. Policy Justification
3. Regional Balance (Classified Document Provided Under Separate Cover)



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Transmittal No. 13-27

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Pursuant to Section 36(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act, as amended

(i) *Prospective Purchaser:* Qatar

(ii) *Total Estimated Value:*

Major Defense Equipment* ..	\$35 million
Other	\$ 0 million

Total \$35 million

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

(iii) *Description and Quantity or Quantities of Articles or Services under Consideration for Purchase:* 2 F117-PW-100 C-17 Globemaster III spare engines, support equipment, publications and technical data, personnel training and training equipment, site surveys, U.S. Government and contractor engineering, technical, and logistics support services, design and construction, and other related elements of logistics support.

(iv) *Military Department:* Air Force (QAB Amendment 4)

(v) *Prior Related Cases, if any:* FMS case QAB-\$400M-9 Jul 08

(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:* 27 June 2013

POLICY JUSTIFICATION

Qatar-C-17 Globemaster III Equipment and Support

The Government of Qatar has requested a possible sale of 2 F117-PW-100 C-17 Globemaster III spare engines,

support equipment, publications and technical data, personnel training and training equipment, site surveys, U.S. Government and contractor engineering, technical, and logistics support services, design and construction, and other related elements of logistics support. The estimated cost is \$35 million.

The 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 that has been, and continues to be, an important force for political stability and economic progress in the Middle East.

The proposed sale will enhance Qatar's ability to operate and maintain its C-17s, supporting its capability to provide humanitarian aid in the Middle East and Africa region and support its troops in coalition operations.

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

The prime contractor will be Pratt and Whitney of East Hartford, Connecticut. There are no known offset agreements proposed in connection with this potential sale.

Implementation of this proposed sale will require multiple U.S. Government and contractor representatives to travel to the region to support the program.

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

Defense Business Board; Notice of Federal Advisory Committee Meeting

AGENCY: DoD.

ACTION: Meeting notice.

SUMMARY: Under the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972 (5 U.S.C., Appendix, as amended), the Government in the Sunshine Act of 1976 (5 U.S.C. 552b, as amended), and 41 CFR 102-3.150, the Department of Defense announces the following Federal advisory committee meeting of the Defense Business Board (DBB).

DATES: The public meeting of the Defense Business Board (hereafter referred to as "the Board") will be held on Thursday, July 25, 2013. The meeting will begin at 9:45 a.m. and end at 11:00 a.m. (Escort required; See guidance in "Public's Accessibility to the Meeting" paragraph.)

ADDRESSES: Room 3E863 in the Pentagon, Washington, DC (Escort

required; See guidance in "Public's Accessibility to the Meeting" paragraph.)

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: The Board's Designated Federal Officer is Phyllis Ferguson, Defense Business Board, 1155 Defense Pentagon, Room 5B1088A, Washington, DC 20301-1155, Phyllis.Ferguson@osd.mil, 703-695-7563. For meeting information please contact Ms. Debora Duffy, Defense Business Board, 1155 Defense Pentagon, Room 5B1088A, Washington, DC 20301-1155, Debora.Duffy@osd.mil, (703) 697-2168.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Purpose of the Meeting: At this meeting, the Board will deliberate the findings and draft recommendations from the "Addressing Major Business Issues Facing the Department in the 2014 Quadrennial Defense Review" Task Group. The Board will also receive an update from the Task Group on "Best Practices by DoD to Achieve More Effective Participation by Industry." The mission of the Board is to examine and advise the Secretary of Defense on overall DoD management and governance. The Board provides independent advice which reflects an outside private sector perspective on proven and effective best business practices that can be applied to DoD.

Availability of Materials for the Meeting: A copy of the agenda and the terms of reference for the Task Group study may be obtained from the Board's Web site at <http://dbb.defense.gov/meetings.shtml>. Copies will also be available at the meeting.

Meeting Agenda

9:45 a.m.-10:45 a.m. Task Group Outbrief and Board Deliberations on "Addressing Major Business Issues Facing the Department in the 2014 Quadrennial Defense Review"

10:45 a.m.-11:00 a.m. Task Group Update on "Best Practices by DoD to Achieve More Effective Participation by Industry"

Public's Accessibility to the Meeting: Pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552b and 41 CFR §§ 102-3.140 through 102-3.165, and the availability of space, this meeting is open to the public. Seating is limited and is on a first-come basis. All members of the public who wish to attend the public meeting must contact Ms. Debora Duffy at the number listed in **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** no later than 12:00 p.m. on Wednesday, July 17 to register and make arrangements for a Pentagon escort, if necessary. Public attendees requiring escort should arrive at the Pentagon Metro Entrance with sufficient time to

complete security screening no later than 9:20 a.m. on Thursday, July 25. To complete security screening, please come prepared to present two forms of identification and one must be a pictured identification card.

Special Accommodations: Individuals requiring special accommodations to access the public meeting should contact Ms. Duffy at least five (5) business days prior to the meeting so that appropriate arrangements can be made.

Procedures for Providing Public Comments

Pursuant to 41 CFR §§ 102-3.105(j) and 102-3.140, and section 10(a)(3) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972, the public or interested organizations may submit written comments to the Board about its mission and topics pertaining to this public meeting.

Written comments should be received by the DFO at least five (5) business days prior to the meeting date so that the comments may be made available to the Board for their consideration prior to the meeting. Written comments should be submitted via email to the address for the DFO given in **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** in either Adobe Acrobat or Microsoft Word format. Please note that since the Board operates under the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended, all submitted comments and public presentations will be treated as public documents and will be made available for public inspection, including, but not limited to, being posted on the Board's Web site.

Dated: July 2, 2013.

Aaron Siegel,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Air Force

[Docket ID: USAF-2013-0030]

Proposed Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: Air Force Chief of Chaplains Office (DOD/USAF/HQ AF/HC), Department of the Air Force, Department of Defense.

ACTION: Notice.

In compliance with Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the *Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995*, the Department of the Air Force announces a proposed