

Meeting Accessibility:

In accordance with applicable law, 5 U.S.C. 552b(c) and 41 CFR 102–3.155, the DoD has determined that portion of the meetings scheduled for December 16, 2015, and the morning of December 17, 2015, will be closed to the public. Specifically, the Assistant Deputy Chief Management Officer, with the coordination of the DoD FACA Attorney, has determined in writing that these portions of the meetings will be closed to the public because it will discuss matters covered by 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(1).

Pursuant to 41 CFR 102–3.140 through 102–3.165 and the availability of space, the meeting scheduled for December 17, 2015 from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the James Polk Building is open to the public. Seating is limited and pre-registration is strongly encouraged. Media representatives are also encouraged to register. Members of the media must comply with the rules of photography and video filming in the James Polk Building. The closest public parking facility is located in the basement and along the streets. Visitors will be required to present one form of photograph identification. Visitors to the James Polk Office Building will be screened by a magnetometer, and all items that are permitted inside the building will be screened by an x-ray device. Visitors should keep their belongings with them at all times. The following items are strictly prohibited in the James Polk Office Building: Any pointed object, *e.g.*, knitting needles and letter openers (pens and pencils are permitted.); any bag larger than 18" wide × 14" high × 8.5" deep; electric stun guns, martial arts weapons or devices; guns, replica guns, ammunition and fireworks; knives of any size; mace and pepper spray; razors and box cutters.

Written Comments:

Pursuant to section 10(a)(3) of the FACA and 41 CFR 102–3.105(j) and 102–3.140, the public or interested organizations may submit written

comments to the Commission in response to the stated agenda of the open and/or closed meeting or the Commission's mission. The Designated Federal Officer (DFO) will review all submitted written statements. Written comments should be submitted to Mr. Donald Tison, DFO, via facsimile or electronic mail, the preferred modes of submission. Each page of the comment must include the author's name, title or affiliation, address, and daytime phone number. All comments received before Wednesday, December 16, 2015, will be provided to the Commission before the December 17, 2015, meeting. Comments received after Wednesday, December 16, 2015, will be provided to the Commission before its next meeting. All contact information may be found in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section.

Registration:

Individuals and entities who wish to attend the public meeting on Thursday, December 17, 2015 are encouraged to register for the event with the DFO using the electronic mail and facsimile contact information found in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section. The communication should include the registrant's full name, title, affiliation or employer, email address, day time phone number. This information will assist the Commission in contacting individuals should it decide to do so at a later date. If applicable, include written comments and a request to speak during the oral comment session. (Oral comment requests must be accompanied by a summary of your presentation.) Registrations and written comments should be typed.

Additional Information

The DoD sponsor for the Commission is the Deputy Chief Management Officer. The Commission is tasked to submit a report, containing a comprehensive study and recommendations, by February 1, 2016 to the President of the United States and the Congressional defense committees.

The report will contain a detailed statement of the findings and conclusions of the Commission, together with its recommendations for such legislation and administrative actions it may consider appropriate in light of the results of the study. The comprehensive study of the structure of the Army will determine whether, and how, the structure should be modified to best fulfill current and anticipated mission requirements for the Army in a manner consistent with available resources.

Dated: November 23, 2015.

Aaron Siegel,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**Office of the Secretary**

[Transmittal No. 0M–15]

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 July 21, 1996.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Sarah A. Ragan or Heather N. Harwell, DSCA/LMO, (703) 604–1546/(703) 607–5339.

The following is a copy of a letter to the Speaker of the House of Representatives, Transmittal 0M–15 with attached Policy Justification.

Dated: November 23, 2015.

Aaron Siegel,

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DEFENSE SECURITY COOPERATION AGENCY
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ARLINGTON, VA 22202-5408

The Honorable Paul D. Ryan
Speaker of the House
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

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Dear Mr. Speaker:

Pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(b)(5)(C) of the Arms Export Control Act (AECA), we are forwarding Transmittal No. 0M-15, concerning the Department of the Army's proposed Letter(s) of Offer and Acceptance to Qatar for defense articles and services estimated to cost \$12.86 billion. This notification relates to enhancements or upgrades from the level of sensitivity of technology or capability described in the Section 36(b)(1) AECA certification 12-58 of 06 November 2012.

Sincerely,

JWR J. W. Rixey
Vice Admiral, USN
Director

Enclosures:

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



Transmittal No. 0M-15

*REPORT OF ENHANCEMENT OR
UPGRADE OF SENSITIVITY OF
TECHNOLOGY OR CAPABILITY (SEC.
36(B)(5)(C), AECA)*

(i) *Purchaser:* Government of Qatar
(QA-B-UAP)

(ii) *Sec. 36(b)(1), AECA Transmittal
No.:* 12-58

Date: 06 November 2012

Military Department: Army

(iii) *Description:* On 06 November 2012, Congress was notified by Congressional certification transmittal

number 12-58, of the possible sale under Section 36(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act of 11 PATRIOT Configuration-3 Modernized Fire Units, 11 AN/MPQ-65 Radar Sets, 11 AN/MSQ-132 Engagement Control Systems, 30 Antenna Mast Groups, 44 M902 Launching Stations (LS), 246 PATRIOT MIM-104E Guidance Enhanced Missile-TBM (GEM-T) with canisters, 2 PATRIOT MIM-104E GEM-T Test Missiles, 768 PATRIOT Advanced Capability 3 (PAC-3) Missiles with canisters, 10 PAC-3 Test Missiles with

canisters, 11 Electrical Power Plants (EPPII), 8 Multifunctional Information Distribution Systems/Low Volume Terminals (MIDS/LVTs), communications equipment, tools and test equipment, support equipment, publications and technical documentation, personnel training and training equipment, spare and repair parts, facility design, U.S. Government and contractor technical, engineering, and logistics support services, and other related elements of logistics and program support. The estimated total

cost was \$9.9 billion. Major Defense Equipment (MDE) constituted \$7.2 billion of this total.

This transmittal reports the upgrade of 34 of the previously notified (and purchased) M902 LS, and the addition of 300 PAC-3 PATRIOT Advanced Capability (PAC)-3 Missile Segment Enhancement (MSE) missiles and 10 PAC-3 MSE test missiles. In order to support MSE Integration, the M902 LS will require a modification kit to achieve the M903 LS configuration. The addition of the PAC-3 MSEs and the M902 LS upgrades will result in an MDE net increase of \$2.6 billion, and a non-MDE increase of \$360 million. The revised estimated total value is \$12.86 billion, with the revised MDE value constituting \$9.8 billion of this new total.

(iv) *Significance:* The LS M903 allows the PATRIOT system to fire PAC-3 MSE missiles.

The changes to the launcher for the M903 configuration are to account for the necessary cabling for power and signal interfaces with the PAC-3 MSE missiles. In order to change the launcher from the M902 configuration to the M903 configuration, the following items are added: Additional distribution cables, additional umbilical cables,

addition of a stowage box for storage of cables mentioned above, and the addition of a grounding cable. The PAC-3 MSE missile capability will allow for further and higher Tactical Ballistic Missile intercepts. This equipment will enhance Qatar's interoperability with the United States and its allies, making it a more valuable partner in an increasingly important area of the world. Qatar should have no difficulty including the PAC-3 MSE and the upgrade to M903 LS into its armed forces.

(v) *Justification:* This notification is being provided as the PAC-3 MSE was not specified in the original notification because the technology was not yet releasable to FMS customers and the M903 LS kit was not available/developed. This proposed sale will contribute to the foreign policy and national security of the United States by helping to improve the security of a strategic partner. The PAC-3 MSE and the M903 LS kit will significantly improve Qatar's defense capabilities to meet current and future threats and deter regional aggression.

(vi) *Date Report Delivered to Congress:* 4 NOV 2015

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

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Dated: November 23, 2015.

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Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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