The proposed sale of this equipment and support does not alter the basic military balance in the region. The prime contractor will be Orbital ATK. There are no known offset agreements proposed in connection with this potential sale.

Implementation of this proposed sale will require U.S. Government personnel or U.S. contractor representatives to travel to Singapore for a period of one (1) week for equipment fielding and acceptance testing by the Quality Assurance Team.

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

Transmittal No. 16–81
Notice of Proposed Issuance of Letter of Offer Pursuant to Section 36(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act

Major Defense Equipment (MDE): Two thousand (2,000) XM395 Accelerated Precision Mortar Initiative (APMI) Rounds

Non-MDE includes: U.S. Government and contractor services, mortar tube compatibility testing and/or modification, and other associated support equipment and services.

Military Department: Army (VGG)

Prior Related Cases, if any: None

Sales Commission, Fee, etc., Paid, Offered, or Agreed to be Paid: None

Sensitivity of Technology:

1. The XM395 Accelerated Precision Mortar Initiative (APMI) is a Global Position System (GPS), Precise Positioning Service (PPS) guided 120mm high explosive mortar cartridge capable of enemy defeat with low collateral damage. It utilizes a Precision Light-Weight Universal Mortar Setting System (PLUMSS) that contains an Improved Platform Integration Kit (iPIK) to load GPS coordinates, mission trajectory and fuze mode data into the mortar round. The GPS PPS crypto key is loaded into the iPIK by system key loader PYQ–10. Both the XM395 and the iPIK contain a Selective Availability Anti-Spoofing Module (SAASM). The XM395 has 90% commonality with the Army’s M1156 Precision Guided Kit. The overall system classification is SECRET.

2. XM395 utilizes the Army’s M782 Multi-Option for Artillery (MOFA) Proximity Height of Burst (HOB) Technology. The HOB sensor is comprised of components with technologies deemed as state of the art, requiring specialized production skills. The sensitive/critical technology is primarily in the design, development, production and manufacturing of the components (integrated circuits and assembly), and the integration methodology required to integrate those components onto an assembly to process embedded data (the software—algorithm—working parameters). The overall system classification is SECRET.

3. Disclosure of this technology could result in an adversary developing countermeasures, thus lessening the effect of the projectile. Disclosure of test data, countermeasures, vulnerability/susceptibility analyses, and threat definition could allow reverse engineering and use by an adversary for possible use against U.S. and Coalition forces. Compromise could jeopardize the U.S. inventory through jammer development by adversaries. The risk of compromise has been assessed as moderate. Risk is reduced for fuze/munitions if adequately controlled and protected in storage and on the battlefield. Risk is mitigated by the prevention of disclosure of sensitive classified information (the know-how, software, and associated documentation).

4. A determination has been made that the recipient country can provide 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.

5. All defense articles and services listed in this transmittal have been authorized for release and export to Singapore.

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

POLICY JUSTIFICATION

Government of Singapore—XM395 Accelerated Precision Mortar Initiative (APMI) Rounds

The Government of Singapore has requested a possible sale of two thousand (2,000) XM395 Accelerated Precision Mortar Initiative (APMI) rounds; U.S. Government and contractor services; and other associated support equipment and services. The total estimated cost is $66 million.

This 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 partner and force for political stability and economic progress in the Asia Pacific region.

The Government of Singapore intends to use these defense articles and services to modernize its armed forces to meet current and future threats, to strengthen its homeland defense, and to provide greater security for its economic infrastructure. The Government of Singapore will have no difficulty absorbing XM395 APMI mortar rounds into its armed forces.

The Department of Defense is publishing this notice to announce a Federal Advisory Committee meeting of the Department of Defense Military Family Readiness Council (MFRC). This meeting will be open to the public.

DATES: Thursday, April 27, 2017, from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

ADDRESSES: Pentagon Library & Conference Center, Room B6. Escorts will be provided from the Pentagon Visitors Center waiting area (Pentagon Metro entrance) upon request.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Melody McDonald or Dr. Randy Eltringham, Office of the Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense (Military Community & Family Policy), Office of Family Readiness Policy, 4800 Mark Center Drive, Alexandria, VA 22350–2390, Room 3G15. Telephones (571) 372–0880; (571) 372–5315 or email: OSD Pentagon OUSD P–R Mailbox Family Readiness Council,
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Uniform Formulary Beneficiary Advisory Panel; Notice of Federal Advisory Committee Meeting; Amendment

AGENCY: Assistant Secretary of Defense (Health Affairs), Department of Defense.

ACTION: Notice of meeting; amendment.

SUMMARY: On Wednesday, February 15, 2017 (82 FR 10762), the Department of Defense published a notice announcing a Federal Advisory Committee Meeting of the Uniform Formulary Beneficiary Advisory Panel. Subsequent to the publication of the notice, an item was added to the Meeting Agenda. All other information in the February 15, 2017 notice remains the same.

DATES: Wednesday, March 22, 2017, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

ADDRESSES: Naval Heritage Center Theater, 701 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20004.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: CAPT Edward Norton, DFO, Uniform Formulary Beneficiary Advisory Panel, 7700 Arlington Boulevard, Suite 5101, Falls Church, VA 22042–5101. Telephone: (703) 681–2890. Fax: (703) 681–1940. Email Address: dha.ncr.health-it.mbx.baprequests@mail.mil.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Due to circumstances beyond the control of the Designated Federal Officer and the Department of Defense, the Uniform Formulary Beneficiary Advisory Panel was unable to provide public notification concerning a change to a previously announced meeting agenda for a meeting on March 22, 2017, of the Uniform Formulary Beneficiary Advisory Panel as required by 41 CFR 102–3.150(a). Accordingly, the Advisory Committee Management Officer for the Department of Defense, pursuant to 41 CFR 102–3.150(b), waives the 15–calendar day notification requirement.

This meeting is being held under the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA) 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 that an item in the Meeting Agenda has changed.

The revised Meeting Agenda reads as follows:

Agenda
1. Sign-In
2. Welcome and Opening Remarks
3. Public Citizen Comments
4. Scheduled Therapeutic Class Reviews (Comments will follow each agenda item)
   a. Hepatitis C Agents—Direct Acting Antivirals
   b. Antibiotics—Tetracyclines
   c. Proton Pump Inhibitors
5. Recently Approved Drugs Review
6. Pertinent Utilization Management Issues
7. Panel Discussions and Vote

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