

3. The proposed sale of ESSM under this FMS case will result in the transfer of sensitive technological information and or restricted information contained in the missile guidance section. Certain operating frequencies and performance characteristics are classified SECRET because they could be used to develop tactics and/or countermeasures to reduce or defeat missile effectiveness.

4. If a technologically advanced adversary were to obtain knowledge of the specific hardware and software elements, primarily performance characteristics, engagement algorithms, and transmitter specific frequencies, the information could be used to develop countermeasures that might reduce weapon system effectiveness.

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

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

DEFENSE SECURITY
COOPERATION AGENCY,
Arlington, VA.

Hon. BOB CORKER,
Chairman, Committee on Foreign Relations,
U.S. Senate, Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. CHAIRMAN: Pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act, as amended, we are forwarding herewith Transmittal No. 16-40, concerning the Department of the Navy's proposed Letter(s) of Offer and Acceptance to the Government of Israel for defense articles and services estimated to cost \$300 million. After this letter is delivered to your office, we plan to issue a news release to notify the public of this proposed sale.

Sincerely,

JENNIFER ZAKRISKI,
(For J.W. Rixey, Vice Admiral, USN
Director).

Enclosures.

TRANSMITTAL NO. 16-40

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: Government of Israel.

(ii) Total Estimated Value:

Major Defense Equipment *—\$55 million.

Other—\$245 million.

Total—\$300 million.

(iii) Description and Quantity or Quantities of Articles or Services under Consideration for Purchase:

Major Defense Equipment (MDE):

Twelve (12) T-700 GE 401C engines (ten (10) installed and two (2) spares)

Non-MDE:

This request also includes the following non MDE items: eight (8) AN/APN-194(V) Radar Altimeters, eight (8) AN/APN-217A Doppler Radar Navigation Sets, eight (8) AN/ARN-151 (V)2 Global Positioning Systems, eight (8) AN/APX-100(V) Identification Friend or Foe (IFF) Transponder Sets, eight (8) OA-8697 A/ARD Direction Finding Groups, eight (8) AN/ARN-118(V) NAV Receivers, eight (8) AN/ARN-146 On Top Position Indicators, sixteen (16) IP-1544A/ASQ-200 Horizontal Situation Video Displays (HSVD), eight (8) AN/ARC-174A (V)2 HF Radios, sixteen (16) AN/ARC182(V) UHF/UHF Radios, eight (8) PIN 70600-81010-011 Communication System Controllers, eight (8) GAU-16 50 Caliber Machine Guns, eight (8) M-60D/M-240 Machine Guns, eight (8) Internal Auxiliary

Fuel Tanks, sixteen (16) External Auxiliary Fuel Tanks, and eight (8) C-11822/AWQ Controllers, Armament System. Also included are spares and repair parts, support and test equipment, communication equipment, ferry support, publications and technical documentation, U.S. Government and contractor engineering, technical and logistics support services, and other related elements of logistical and program support.

(iv) Military Department: Navy.

(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: July 5, 2016.

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

POLICY JUSTIFICATION

Israel—Excess SH-60F Sea-Hawk Helicopter equipment and support

The Government of Israel has requested to procure twelve (12) T-700 GE 401C engines (ten (10) installed and two (2) spares), eight (8) AN/APN-194(V) Radar Altimeters; eight (8) AN/APN-217A Doppler Radar Navigation Sets; eight (8) AN/ARN-151 (V)2 Global Positioning Systems; eight (8) AN/APX-100(V) Identification Friend or Foe (IFF) Transponder Sets; eight (8) OA-8697 A/ARD Direction Finding Groups; eight (8) AN/ARN-118(V) NAV Receivers; eight (8) AN/ARN-146 On Top Position Indicators; sixteen (16) IP-1544A/ASQ-200 Horizontal Situation Video Displays (HSVD); eight (8) AN/ARC-174A (V)2 HF Radios; sixteen (16) AN/ARC182(V) UHF/UHF Radios; eight (8) PIN 70600-81010-011 Communication System Controllers; eight (8) GAU-16 50 Caliber Machine Guns; eight (8) M-60D/M-240 Machine Guns; eight (8) Internal Auxiliary Fuel Tanks; sixteen (16) External Auxiliary Fuel Tanks; and eight (8) C-11822/AWQ Controllers, Armament System. Also included are spares and repair parts, support and test equipment, communication equipment, ferry support, publications and technical documentation, U.S. Government and contractor engineering, technical and logistics support services, and other related elements of logistical and program support. The estimated cost is \$300 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 strategic regional partner, which has been, and continues to be, an important force for political stability and economic progress in the Middle East.

Israel has been approved to receive eight (8) SH-60F Sea Hawk Helicopters via the Excess Defense Articles (EDA) Program under a separate notification. That separate notification included only the SH-60 airframes, thus this transmittal includes all the major components and customer-unique requirements requested to supplement the EDA grant transfer.

Israel has purchased four new frigates to secure the Leviathan Natural Gas Field. The SH-60F helicopters will be used onboard these new frigates to patrol and protect these gas fields as well as other areas under threat.

The proposed sale will improve Israel's capability to meet current and future threats. The SH-60F Sea-Hawk Helicopters along with the parts, systems, and support enumerated in this notification will provide the capability to perform troop/transport deployment, communications relay, gunfire support, and search and rescue. Secondary missions include vertical replenishment, combat search and rescue, and humanitarian missions. Israel will use the enhanced capability

as a deterrent to regional threats and to strengthen its homeland defense. Israel will have no difficulty absorbing this equipment into its armed forces.

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

The principal contractors will be Science and Engineering Services, LLC, Huntsville, Alabama, and General Electric (GE) of Lynn, Massachusetts. There are no known offset agreements proposed in connection with this potential sale.

Implementation of this proposed sale will require the assignment of additional U.S. Government and/or contractor representatives to Israel.

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Annex Item No. vii

(vii) Sensitivity of Technology:

1. The U.S. Navy primarily employed the SH-60F as an aircraft carrier based anti-submarine warfare aircraft and a search and rescue support aircraft during carrier flight operations. Unless otherwise noted below, SH-60F hardware and support equipment, test equipment and maintenance spares are UNCLASSIFIED.

2. Global Positioning System (GPS)/Precise Positioning Service (PPS)/Selective Availability Anti-spoofing Module (SAASM). The GPS/PPS/SAASM provides a Space-based Global Navigation Satellite System (GNSS) that provides reliable location and time information in all weather at all times and anywhere on or near the Earth when the signal is unobstructed line of site to four or more GPS satellites.

3. The AN/ARC-182-electronic countermeasures (ECCM) Radio is a combined Very High Frequency (VHF)/Ultra High Frequency (UHF) military communications system designed for all types of fixed-wing aircraft and helicopters. Small and light enough to be especially attractive for installation in the lighter aircraft classes, it covers the frequency bands from 30 to 88 MHz in FM, 116 to 156 MHz in AM, 156 to 174 MHz in FM and for the UHF band 225 to 400 MHz in both AM and FM modes. Additionally, a receiver-only facility covering the band 108 to 116 MHz is provided for navigation purposes. Channel spacing throughout the range is at 25 KHz intervals.

4. The AN/ARC-174A (V)2 HF Radio provides capability to transmit and receive on Upper Sideband (USB), Lower Sideband (LSB), and Amplitude Modulation (AM).

5. A determination has been made that Government of Israel can provide substantially 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.

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

NATIONAL CONSTITUTION WEEK

Mr. SESSIONS. Mr. President, today I wish to recognize the week of September 17, 2016, as National Constitution Week.

In September of 1787, our Founding Fathers signed the most influential document in American history, the U.S. Constitution. Constitution Week was first observed in 1956 with the purpose of celebrating this historic document and recognizing the Constitution

as the basis for America's great heritage and the foundation for our way of life. In addition, this week is observed to emphasize the responsibilities of citizens for protecting and defending the Constitution and encouraging the study of the historical events which led to the framing of the Constitution.

The students at Olive J. Dodge Elementary in Mobile, AL, taught by Janet Leffard, annually ring bells during Constitution Week to recognize the importance of this document to our country. I would like to follow their example honoring Constitution Week and its significance.

The U.S. Constitution established America's national government and fundamental laws, while also guaranteeing certain rights for its citizens. Our entire structure of government is directed by this brilliant charter. Though we are a relatively new nation, our Constitution is the longest existing constitution in the world. It has provided us security, prosperity, stability, and freedom—qualities of life few other people in the world possess.

Please join me in recognizing the week of September 17 as Constitution Week, the anniversary of the day the framers signed this great document.

I thank the Chair.

100TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

Mr. ENZI. Mr. President, today I wish to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the National Park Service.

On August 25, 1916, President Woodrow Wilson signed a bill creating the National Park Service to oversee the country's parks and monuments. Since then, the National Park Service has been asked to serve generations of visitors by helping to provide a gateway to the wonders of our nation. Our children and grandchildren have had the opportunity to experience things that cannot be fully appreciated by pictures in a book or lessons in a classroom. May that gateway remain open for the next 100 years and beyond.

Now, this is something we should all celebrate, but it is especially important to me because Wyoming is home to some of the best National Park Service areas in this country, including the very first national park.

Yellowstone National Park was named our first national park in 1872, well before the existence of the National Park Service. It was "set apart as a public park or pleasuring ground for the benefit and enjoyment of the people" for good reason. Every elementary school student learns about Old Faithful, the geyser that erupts about 17 times a day at Yellowstone, but Yellowstone is also home to more than 60 different mammals, more than 300 different birds, more than 15 species of fish, and 10 species of reptiles and amphibians.

Of course, Yellowstone isn't Wyoming's only national park. My home State is also home to Grand Teton Na-

tional Park, which was established in 1929. In addition to boasting one of the most recognizable mountain ranges in the world, this park is home to the famous Snake River.

I also mentioned that the National Park Service helps to oversee national monuments. That includes the country's first national monument, which is also in Wyoming. Devils Tower was declared the first national monument in 1906 and is one of the most unique formations in the world. It is a great place for hiking, climbing, or just taking in the views.

Wyoming is also home to Fossil Butte National Monument, which contains one of the largest deposits of freshwater fish fossils in the world. At this monument, you can see fossils of everything from perch to stingrays.

I would be remiss if I did not mention Fort Laramie National Historic Site in Wyoming. Fort Laramie was established as a fur trading fort in 1834 and became an Army post in 1849. The fort was the site of many important treaty negotiations and became a part of the National Park System in 1938.

My home State also has the Bighorn Canyon National Recreation Area. There are about 28 miles of trails, boating opportunities, and historic ranches at this national park area, which was established in 1966.

These are just a few of the 412 areas managed by the National Park System, but I think they are some of the best. Wyoming is proud of its national park areas, and we are proud to celebrate the National Park Service's centennial.

I want close by acknowledging the hard work of the men and women who have maintained these special places of discovery and learning in Wyoming and across our Nation. Thank you to the over 20,000 men and women of the National Park Service who go to work each day as caretakers, craftsmen, and teachers to make America's national parks second-to-none.

Thank you.

RECOGNIZING JOHNS HOPKINS AND THE CHILDREN'S MIRACLE NETWORK

Ms. MIKULSKI. Mr. President, today I recognize the incredible work of the Children's Miracle Network. Through their efforts to raise money for children's hospitals across the United States, countless children and families have had access to lifesaving health services.

One of these children is Zannah Simons of Baltimore, MD. As a newborn, Zannah was diagnosed with a prenatal heart defect and a hypoplastic right heart. One day, Zannah was taken to the hospital in cardiac arrest and diagnosed with a rare bacterial infection. She was placed on a life support machine that took over the function of her heart and lungs and was given 24 to 48 hours to live.

However, Zannah survived, and that hospital visit marked the beginning of

several serious medical procedures, including two open heart surgeries to repair her heart. Doctors also recommended that Zannah's parents be screened to ensure that Zannah's heart defects weren't genetic. As a result of the screenings, it was discovered that Zannah's mother had hypoplastic left heart syndrome.

Zannah is now a healthy and active 4-year-old who loves to dance and sing. Stories like Zannah's highlight the importance of medical institutions like Johns Hopkins, where she received care, as well as the Children's Miracle Network who helped make this access to care possible.

Because of medical research, lives like Zannah's are saved and improved. Chronic diseases are better managed. We are better able to detect diseases at their earliest and most treatable stages and people survive conditions that were once considered fatal. These improvements did not just happen overnight; they happened because we invested needed resources and because we supported our Nation's brilliant medical workforce. We must continue to do so.

Medical research is an investment that helps Americans to live longer and with better quality of life. We must not abandon our commitment to developing new techniques and technologies for curing and preventing illness.

Since 1983, the Children's Miracle Network has raised \$5 billion and distributed it to 170 children's hospitals. The hospitals use these donations for uncompensated care, family lodging, and travel expenses and research. In the case of Zannah, these donations helped fund the medical equipment that ultimately saved her life.

The funds that hospitals receive from the Children's Miracle Network provides a safety net to families under incredible stress.

Johns Hopkins Children's Center and the Children's Miracle Network played a role in saving Zannah's life, as well as diagnosing her mother's heart issue. This would not have been possible were it not for advances in medical research and the support that the Children's Miracle Network provides. Every minute, 62 children enter a Children's Miracle Network hospital. Unfortunately, some children are not as lucky as Zannah. Let's continue to support medical research and family safety net programs so that all children have the opportunity to live a full and healthy life.

RECOGNIZING THE CRUISE TRAVEL INDUSTRY

Mr. BOOKER. Mr. President, today I wish to acknowledge the creativity and professionalism of the men and women of the cruise travel industry. Up until the early 1800s, cruise ships were primarily concerned with transporting mail and cargo. It wasn't until 1818 that the first cruise ship company to transport passengers began regular