

Officer Sicknick died for this country. He did not die in vain. We, the living, must—must—continue with his level of courage as we tell the truth, as we hold others responsible and for account, as we try to live in the spirit that he lived: with humility, honor, courage, kindness, love, decency.

May Officer Brian Sicknick always be remembered for his service to the country he loved, and may we rise to his example and honor him. All those who have fallen in defense of this Nation, may we honor them in how we live for this country.

I yield the floor.

I suggest the absence of a quorum.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will call the roll.

The legislative clerk proceeded to call the roll.

(Mrs. CAPITO assumed the Chair.)

Mr. MCCONNELL. Madam President, I ask unanimous consent that the order for the quorum call be rescinded.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mrs. BLACKBURN.) Without objection, it is so ordered.

HONORING SECURITY DETAIL AND CAPITOL POLICE OFFICERS

Mr. GRASSLEY. Madam President, as the most senior Republican Senator in the Republican majority, I have had the privilege to serve as Senate President pro tempore in the 116th Congress. The last time a Senator from Iowa served in this constitutional office was 100 years ago. For the last 2 years, it has been my great honor each day to open the business of the Senate, welcome Chaplain Barry C. Black to lead us in opening prayer and recite the Pledge of Allegiance with my colleagues and staff. It was a distinct honor to enroll bills with my signature before they left Capitol Hill for the President's desk to be signed into law.

Today, I pay tribute to a group of selfless professionals who was assigned to serve as my security detail. As this body knows, the President pro tempore serves in the Presidential line of succession and receives 24-hour protection. Now, as most Americans might imagine, it took some time to get accustomed to having a security detail following my every step, around the clock, 365 days a year. These dedicated professionals made the transition as seamless as possible. They served with integrity, discretion, and professionalism. Some of them might not have known the journey in store when they embarked 2 years ago on this assignment. By journey, I refer of course to my heavy travel schedule. For starters, I return nearly every weekend to Iowa and whenever the Senate is not in session. And lest anyone imagine there is a nonstop commercial flight between the Nation's Capital and my farm in Butler County, I will disabuse anyone of that fairy tale.

Agents on my security detail became frequent fliers and intimately familiar with the map of Iowa. My work sched-

ule includes my annual 99 county meetings across the State. Last year, I finished my 40th consecutive year holding meetings with Iowans in courthouses, schools, factory floors, hospitals, and service clubs. Typically, Iowa weather adds a bit of uncertainty to the schedule. Last year, the pandemic opened a whole new can of worms. I want to thank my security detail for doing an exceptional job these past 2 years. I can confirm none of the agents indulges in a treat from Dairy Queen as much as I do.

My security detail also learned on day one of their assignment that I am an early bird. I like to wake up early and get my morning jog in before the sun crests the horizon. They learned every step of my route in northern Virginia and the country gravel roads in Butler County, IA. The agents showed an exemplary work ethic and respect for punctuality which, as my staff and many Iowans who attend my meetings know, is very important to me. I don't like to waste time or money, especially on the taxpayer dime.

Today, I salute the following members of the U.S. Capitol Police Dignitary Protection Division: Supervisory Agent David Rib, Agent Eric Boggs, Agent Shane Powell, Agent John Brito, Agent Eric Love, Agent Zachary Madera, Agent Daniel Murphy, Agent Arnold Pierre, Agent Luis Pimentel, Agent Ryan Rayball, Agent Zachary Samson, Agent John Whittle, Agent Joseph Larue, Agent Justin Godfrey, Agent Michael Bell, Agent Caleb Horton, Agent Muhammed Khan, Agent Tobey Murray, Agent Robert Schultz, Agent Travis Scott, Agent Richard Dahl, Agent Brandon Exum, Agent Carlos Fonseca, Agent Louis Mannella, Agent Brooke Littlewood, Agent Nicholas Koffarnus, Agent Wayland Massengill, Agent Jesse Cole, Agent Todd Sindelar, Agent Cory Flere, Agent Gabriel Santos-Muniz, and Agent Nicholas Wirth.

Barbara and I enjoyed teaching some of the agents about agriculture at the Iowa State Fair. Together, we rooted for UNI Panthers wrestling, basketball, and volleyball on many occasions. Many of them became fond of Iowa. They discovered the meaning of "Iowa Nice." Iowa will welcome you back anytime for a visit.

Barbara and I have enjoyed getting to know you and for giving the full measure of devotion to your job to keep me safe and sound. The Capitol riots on January 6 revealed how seriously you take your oaths of office and I sincerely thank you for putting yourselves in harm's way on my behalf. We wish you and your families all the best in the years ahead.

Speaking about the violent attacks that took place in the U.S. Capitol, on the 6th of January, I also extend my appreciation to the legion of Capitol Police officers who protect this sacred civic space. They put their lives on the line every day to put the safety of others before their own. They keep watch

over 535 members of Congress, the thousands of staffers who serve the American people here in the legislative branch, and the millions of people and youth groups who come every year to visit the U.S. Capitol. The riots serve as a stark reminder never to take law enforcement for granted. We mourn the loss of two Capitol Police officers—Officer Brian D. Sicknick and Officer Howard Liebengood—who lost their lives this month. Barbara and I continue to pray for them and the loved ones they leave behind.

ARMS SALES NOTIFICATION

Mr. RISCH. Madam President, section 36(b) of the Arms Export Control Act requires that Congress receive prior notification of certain proposed arms sales as defined by that statute. Upon such notification, the Congress has 30 calendar days during which the sale may be reviewed. The provision stipulates that, in the Senate, the notification of proposed sales shall be sent to the chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee.

In keeping with the committee's intention to see that relevant information is available to the full Senate, I ask unanimous consent to have printed in the RECORD the notifications which have been received. If the cover letter references a classified annex, then such annex is available to all Senators in the office of the Foreign Relations Committee, room SD-423.

There being no objection, the material was ordered to be printed in the RECORD, as follows:

DEFENSE SECURITY
COOPERATION AGENCY,
Arlington, VA.

Hon. JAMES E. RISCH,
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. 20-65 concerning the Air Force's proposed Letter(s) of Offer and Acceptance to the Government of Egypt for defense articles and services estimated to cost \$65.6 million. After this letter is delivered to your office, we plan to issue a news release to notify the public of this proposed sale.

HEIDI H. GRANT,
Director.

Enclosures.

TRANSMITTAL NO. 20-65

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 Egypt.

(ii) Total Estimated Value:
Major-Defense Equipment* \$56.8 million.
Other \$ 8.8 million.
Total \$65.6 million.

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

Major Defense Equipment (MDE):
Twenty (20) AN/AAQ-33 Sniper Advanced Targeting Pods (ATPs).

Non-MDE: Also included are pylons; shipping containers; spare and repair/return parts; ground handling equipment; publications and technical documentation; software and software support; personnel training; U.S. Government and contractor engineering, technical, and logistical support services; and other related elements or program and logistical support.

(iv) Military Department: Air Force (EG-D-QFP).

(v) Prior Related Cases, if any: EG-D-SAB.

(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 Attached Annex.

(viii) Date Report Delivered to Congress: December 28, 2020.

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

POLICY JUSTIFICATION

Egypt—Sniper Advanced Targeting Pods (ATPs)

The Government of Egypt has requested to buy twenty (20) AN/AAQ-33 Sniper ATPs. Also included are pylons; shipping containers; spare and repair/return parts; ground handling equipment; publications and technical documentation; software and software support; personnel training; U.S. Government and contractor engineering, technical, and logistical support services; and other related elements of program and logistical support. The estimated total program cost is \$65.6 million.

This proposed sale will support the foreign policy and national security of the United States by helping to improve the security of a Major Non-NATO Ally country that continues to be an important strategic partner in the Middle East.

The proposed sale will improve Egypt's capability and effectiveness to meet current and future threats by providing additional precision targeting capability to conduct border security and counterterrorism operations. The added precision strike capability will better enable Egypt to conduct operations while minimizing collateral damage. Egypt will have no difficulty absorbing the additional 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 contractor will be Lockheed Martin Aeronautics Company in Fort Worth, TX. There are no known offset agreements proposed in connection with this potential sale.

Implementation of this proposed sale will not require the assignment of any additional U.S. Government or contractor representatives to Egypt.

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

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Annex Item No. vii.

(vii) Sensitivity of Technology:

1. The AN/AAQ-33 SNIPER Pod is a multi-sensor, electro-optical targeting pod incorporating infrared, low-light television camera, laser range finder/target designator, and laser spot tracker. It is used to provide navigation and targeting for military aircraft in adverse weather and using precision-guided weapons such as laser-guided bombs. It also provides positive target identification, autonomous tracking, coordinate generation, and precise weapons guidance from extended standoff ranges. It offers much greater target resolution and imagery accuracy than previous systems.

2. The highest level of classification of information included in this potential sale is SECRET.

3. If a technologically advanced adversary were to obtain knowledge of the specific hardware and software elements, the information could be used to develop countermeasures that might reduce weapon system effectiveness or be used in the development of a system with similar or advanced capabilities.

4. A determination has been made that Government of Egypt 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.

5. All defense articles and services listed in this transmittal have been authorized for release and export to the Government of Egypt.

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COOPERATION AGENCY,
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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. 20-55 concerning the Air Force's proposed Letter(s) of Offer and Acceptance to the Government of Egypt for defense articles and services estimated to cost \$104 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,

HEIDI H. GRANT,
Director.

Enclosures.

TRANSMITTAL NO. 20-55

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 Egypt.

(ii) Total Estimated Value:
Major Defense Equipment * \$10 million.
Other \$94 million.
Total \$104 million.

(iii) Description and Quantity or Quantities of Articles or Services under Consider-

ation for Purchase: The Government of Egypt has requested to buy one (1) AN/AAQ-24(V)N Large Aircraft Infrared Countermeasures (LAIRCM) system to protect one (1) Airbus 340-200 Head-of-State aircraft. Each LAIRCM system consists of three (3) Guardian Laser Turret Assemblies (GLTA), one (1) LAIRCM System Processor Replacement (LSPR), five (5) Missile Warning Sensors (MWS), one (1) Control Indicator Unit Replacement (CIUR), one (1) Smart Card Assembly (SCA), and one (1) High Capacity Card (HCC/User Data Memory (UDM) card.

Major Defense Equipment (MDE):

Six (6) Guardian Laser Turret Assemblies (GLTA) (3 installed, 3 spares).

Four (4) LAIRCM System Processor Replacements (LSPR) (1 installed, 3 spares).

Ten (10) Missile Warning Sensors (MWS) (5 installed, 5 spares).

Non-MDE: Also included are LAIRCM CIURs; SCAs; HCCs; UDM cards; simple key loaders; initial spares, consumables, and repair/return support; support and test equipment; integration and test support; personnel training, 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: Army (EG-D-QF0).

(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 Attached Annex.

(viii) Date Report Delivered to Congress: December 28, 2020.

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POLICY JUSTIFICATION

Egypt—Large Aircraft Infrared Countermeasures (LAIRCM) System for Head-of-State Aircraft

The Government of Egypt has requested to buy one (1) AN/AAQ-24(V)N Large Aircraft Infrared Countermeasures (LAIRCM) system to protect one (1) Airbus 340-200 Head-of-State aircraft. Each LAIRCM system consists of three (3) Guardian Laser Turret Assemblies (GLTA), one (1) LAIRCM System Processor Replacement (LSPR), five (5) Missile Warning Sensors (MWS), one (1) Control Indicator Unit Replacement (CIUR), one (1) Smart Card Assembly (SCA), and one (1) High Capacity Card (HCC/User Data Memory (UDM) card. This proposed sale will include: six (6) Guardian Laser Turret Assemblies (GLTA) (3 installed, 3 spares); four (4) LAIRCM System Processor Replacements (LSPR) (1 installed, 3 spares); ten (10) Missile Warning Sensors (MWS) (5 installed, 5 spares). Also included are LAIRCM CIURs; SCAs; HCCs; UDM cards; simple key loaders; initial spares, consumables, and repair/return support; support and test equipment; integration and test support; personnel training, 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 total cost is \$104 million.

This proposed sale will support the foreign policy and national security of the United States by helping to improve the security of a Major Non-NATO Ally country that continues to be an important strategic partner in the Middle East.

The self-protection suite will improve the survivability of the Airbus from missile attack. Egypt will have no difficulty absorbing this equipment and capability into its armed forces.

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