

missions, both in a stand-alone configuration as well as in a netted configuration integrated with other units. The FDC interfaces and controls the AN/MPQ-64F1 Sentinel radar and the Canister and High Mobility Launchers. The FDC also interfaces (voice and data) to the national command and control structure.

4. AN/MPQ-64F1 Sentinel Radar. This is the organic mobile Air Defense acquisition and tracking sensor for the United States Army. Sentinel provides persistent air surveillance and fire control quality data through command and control systems to defeat UAS, cruise missiles, and fixed-wing and rotary-wing aircraft threats.

5. Canister Launcher (CLS). Purpose is to transport, aim, and fire the U.S. Air Force AMRAAM, AMRAAM-ER, and the U.S. Navy AIM-9X Sidewinder missiles. Under the remote control of the FDC, the launcher permits rapid launching of one or more missiles against single or multiple targets and can support 6 engagements simultaneously. The launcher provides 360-degree, all weather, day and night, missile launch capability.

6. The highest level of classification of defense articles, components, and services included in this potential sale is SECRET.

7. 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.

8. A determination has been made that Ukraine 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.

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

ARMS SALES NOTIFICATION

Mr. MENENDEZ. Mr. 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,
Washington, DC.

Hon. ROBERT MENENDEZ,
Chairman, Committee on Foreign Relations,
U.S. Senate, Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. CHAIRMAN: Pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(b)(5)(A) of

the Arms Export Control Act (AECA), as amended, we are forwarding Transmittal No. 0G-23. 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 20-76 of September 24, 2020.

Sincerely,

MIKE MILLER,
(For James A. Hursch, Director).

Enclosure.

TRANSMITTAL NO. 0G-23

Report of Enhancement or Upgrade of Sensitivity of Technology or Capability (Sec. 36(b)(5)(A), AECA)

(i) Purchaser: Government of the United Kingdom.

(ii) Sec. 36(b)(1), AECA Transmittal No.: 20-76; Date: September 24, 2020; Implementing Agency: Air Force.

(iii) Description: On September 24, 2020, Congress was notified by Congressional certification transmittal number 20-76 of the possible sale, under Section 36(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act, of follow-on C-17 aircraft Contractor Logistical Support (CLS) to include aircraft component spare and repair parts; accessories; publications and technical documentation; software and software support; U.S. Government and contractor engineering, technical and logistical support services; and other related elements of logistical and program support. The total estimated program cost was \$401.3 million. There was no Major Defense Equipment (MDE) associated with this sale. This transmittal reports the addition of \$0.7 million in non-MDE beyond what was originally notified. This transmittal further reports the addition of the following non-MDE items: Mission Computer Displays and keyboards; additional spare parts, consumables, and accessories and repair and return support; and GPS receivers. The total cost of the new non-MDE articles is \$3.4 million. There is no change to the overall MDE value. The new total case value is \$405.4 million.

(iv) Significance: This proposed sale will improve the United Kingdom's capability to meet current and future threats by ensuring the operational readiness of the Royal Air Force. Its C-17 aircraft fleet provides strategic airlift capabilities that directly support U.S. and coalition operations around the world.

(v) Justification: This proposed sale will support the foreign policy and national security objectives of the United States by improving the security of a key NATO Ally, which is an important force for political stability and economic progress in Europe.

(vi) Sensitivity of Technology: The Sensitivity of Technology statement contained in the original notification applies to items reported here.

(vii) Date Report Delivered to Congress: May 23, 2023.

REMEMBERING MICHELE LONGO EDER

Mr. WYDEN. Mr. President, I rise today to honor a woman whose remarkable life included decades of service fighting hard for fishers on the Oregon Coast, practicing with distinction as an attorney and together with her husband Bob, raising a family.

My friend Michele Longo Eder tackled the many administrative duties in the family's fishing business and somehow found time to serve on numerous advisory boards to protect fishing families' across Oregon and the Nation. In the course of her extraordinary life,

Michele was appointed to the National Fishing Vessel Safety Advisory Committee, the Marine Fisheries Advisory Committee, and the U.S. Arctic Research Commission. My overarching memory of this dynamic Oregonian was her constant presence in my office. She never backed down from advocating for fishers and always tried to find solutions to the challenges they faced.

Michele also worked as a trial attorney. In 2004, she and Gerry Spence represented Brandon Mayfield, an Oregonian wrongfully investigated by the FBI for the 2004 train bombing in Madrid. The FBI targeted Brandon because of a mismatched fingerprint, going so far as to arrest him for several weeks, even when Spanish authorities clearly indicated they had other suspects. Michele worked tirelessly and successfully for Brandon until he regained his rights and freedom.

Michele also volunteered within her own community, finding multiple ways to be a true public servant in Oregon. She was president of the Yaquina Bay YMCA, board member for Newport Fishermen's Wives, and a member of the board of trustees at Oregon State University. She also screened cases for the Oregon Innocence Project, helping to fight injustices in our legal system. In a 2014 interview, Michele was asked to describe fishing with one word. Michele answered "hope." That is the word that always leaps to mind when I think of Michele along with grace and the wealth of knowledge she brought to every situation.

I extend my condolences to her husband Bob, their son Dylan, and their grandkids August Benjamin and Lark Michele.

Michele Longo Eder lived an extraordinary life and deserves huge thanks for her career of contributions to our State and Nation. Her dedication to public service will be greatly missed.

ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

RECOGNIZING BOBBY MARTIN

• Mr. BOOZMAN. Mr. President, I rise today to recognize and celebrate Arkansas Game and Fish Commission Chairman Bobby Martin, who has dedicated years of service to the preservation and conservation of our natural resources.

In 2016, Governor Asa Hutchinson appointed Bobby to the Arkansas Game and Fish Commission, and since then, he has exemplified the very essence of public service, devoting himself to the noble cause of conservation. From a young age, Bobby enjoyed outdoor recreation. He became an avid outdoorsman from his first years duck hunting with his father near Wynne, which helped him become a lifelong, passionate conservationist with deep knowledge and appreciation for the natural resources throughout our State.

During his tenure at the Arkansas Game and Fish Commission, his hard

work and vision have paved the way for significant advancements in the protection and management of our State's rich wildlife and natural habitats. Under his guidance and vision, the commission has flourished, becoming a beacon of excellence and innovation in the field of conservation.

Bobby has been a leader in State and national conservation work, including helping Congress pass the landmark America's Conservation Enhancement Act to safeguard wildlife and ecosystems. He was instrumental in building the coalitions critical to advancing this legislation and protecting our natural resources for future generations to enjoy. He also helped develop the concept and plans for a highly successful shooting sports complex in Jacksonville.

His contributions have also been invaluable in communicating the Arkansas Game and Fish Commission's priorities so our congressional delegation could support its efforts with Federal Agencies. He has illustrated and led through example the importance of building consensus and working together for a common goal. His commitment to environmental education and outreach programs has fostered a sense of stewardship among Arkansans of all ages through initiatives such as promoting shooting sports in schools.

I am so pleased that Bobby has used his leadership skills for public service. He is acknowledged as one of the most influential people in the retail community and has used those skills to think outside the box regarding the Arkansas Game and Fish Commission, making sure the agency evolves and keeps pace with an ever-changing public demand. Bobby has demonstrated that ability in the business world and the conservation community has benefited immensely as he has used his deep knowledge, passion, and experience on its behalf.

He demonstrates what it means to go above and beyond in his role. His time as chairman is esteemed across The Natural State for his tireless work to preserve Arkansas's beautiful natural scenery and wildlife. As we recognize Bobby's years of service and dedication to conservation and celebrate his vision protect and enhance our beautiful State for future generations, I thank him for his dedication and service to Arkansas and wish him the best for years to come.●

TRIBUTE TO LORI HOPPE

● Mr. DAINES. Mr. President, today I have the distinct honor of recognizing Lori Hoppe of Park County for her dedication to fostering excellence in agricultural education and across Park County.

In 2013, Lori saw an opportunity to bring agricultural education to her hometown of Gardiner; a quaint gateway community to Yellowstone National Park with a population of 800 people. She established Gardiner High

School's first agriculture program and FFA chapter, which today proudly boasts a near 50-percent student body participation rate. The Gardiner FFA Chapter has consistently built a name for themselves as being fierce competitors; they are the first agricultural sales career development event team to not only champion the district contest, but also to qualify for the national convention.

As Gardiner FFA prepared for the national competition, their means of getting there was threatened when historic flooding impacted Park County. With a state of emergency declared and access to Yellowstone National Park halted, the lack of tourists required the cancellation of the local rodeo, with sales from the concession stand being the primary means of funding for Gardiner FFA's trip to the National FFA Convention and Expo.

Lori knew they needed to come up with a new fundraising idea if they wanted to compete at nationals. During the school year, the students built a utility trailer that they decided to try and sell at the Park County Fair. The community rallied behind the students and helped them raise more than five times their goal. The Gardiner FFA Chapter went on to make their community proud, earning a seventh place team finish, and one student placing third individually.

Now reaching her 10th year as an educator, Lori is receiving statewide recognition from the Montana Association of Agricultural Educators—MAAE—for being among the best ag instructors in the Treasure State. Her application will be forwarded on to the regional level where she will be evaluated alongside winners from other States. I am confident Lori will represent Montana well.

It is my distinct honor to recognize Lori Hoppe for her commitment to promoting agricultural education in Park County and throughout the Treasure State. The future of Montana agriculture is better off because of her tireless work.

Thank you, Lori. You make Montana proud.●

RECOGNIZING SWENSON'S DO IT BEST HARDWARE

● Ms. ERNST. Mr. President, as ranking member of the Senate Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship, each week I recognize an outstanding Iowa small business that exemplifies the American entrepreneurial spirit. This week, it is my privilege to recognize Swenson's Do it Best Hardware of Britt, IA, as the Senate Small Business of the Week.

In 1977, 21-year-old Jon Swenson purchased the then-named Kreitinger Hardware in downtown Britt. The store was renamed Swenson's Do it Best Hardware and has been family-owned and operated ever since. They offer both home and outdoor tools and supplies, including rental power tool

equipment. They can also provide pipe cutting, key cutting, and window or screen repair services in the shop. Swenson's Do it Best Hardware has an "online warehouse" of over 67,000 items and is a one-stop shop for all home improvement needs. In 2022, Swenson's Do it Best Hardware celebrated their 45th anniversary.

The team at Swenson's Do it Best Hardware is active in the Britt community. Jon Swenson has been a volunteer firefighter in the Britt Fire Department since 1978 and was named the fire chief in 2015. Additionally, and since 1974, Jon has filmed the football games at the West Hancock High School. Swenson's Do it Best Hardware has also been a sponsor of the high school's events and activities. In 2022, when RAGBRAI had a stop in Britt and Swenson's Do it Best Hardware's downtown storefront was used for photo opportunities for riders and tourists. They also provided a device charging station for the 2022 racers. They have also participated in Britt Chamber of Commerce events to support the local small business community.

Swenson's Do it Best Hardware's commitment to providing quality tools, equipment rentals, and repair services in northern Iowa is clear. I want to congratulate Jon Swenson and the entire team at Swenson's Do it Best Hardware for their continued dedication to providing home improvement supplies to Iowans. I look forward to seeing their continued growth and success in Iowa.●

MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Messages from the President of the United States were communicated to the Senate by Ms. Kelly, one of his secretaries.

EXECUTIVE MESSAGES REFERRED

In executive session the Presiding Officer laid before the Senate messages from the President of the United States submitting sundry nominations and three withdrawals which were referred to the appropriate committees.

(The messages received today are printed at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE RECEIVED DURING ADJOURNMENT

Under the authority of the order of the Senate of January 3, 2023, the Secretary of the Senate, on May 25, 2023, during the adjournment of the Senate, received a message from the House of Representatives announcing that the House has passed the following bill and joint resolution, without amendment:

S. 777. An act to increase, effective as of December 1, 2023, the rates of compensation for veterans with service-connected disabilities and the rates of dependency and indemnity compensation for the survivors of certain disabled veterans, and for other purposes.

S.J. Res. 11. Joint resolution providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of