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TRANSPORTATION, HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT, AND RELATED AGENCIES

Senators Schatz (chair), Murray, Durbin, Reed, Coons, Murphy, Manchin, Van Hollen, Sinema, Hyde-Smith (ranking member), Collins, Boozman, Capito, Graham, Hoeven, Kennedy, and Moran. (9-8)

ARMS SALES NOTIFICATION

Mr. CARDIN. 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 informa-

tion is still available to the full Senate, I ask unanimous consent to have printed in the RECORD the notifications that have been received. If the cover letter references a classified annex, then such an 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. BENJAMIN L. CARDIN,
Chairman, Committee on Foreign Relations,
U.S. Senate, Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. CHAIRMAN: Pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(b)(5)(C) of the Arms Export Control Act (AECA), as amended, we are forwarding Transmittal No. 23-0S. 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 19-74 of May 7, 2020.

Sincerely,

JAMES A. HURSCHE,
Director.

Enclosures.

TRANSMITTAL NO. 23-0S

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

(i) Purchaser: Government of Egypt
(ii) Sec. 36(b)(1), AECA Transmittal No.: 19-74; Date: May 7, 2020; Implementing Agency: Army.

Funding Source: National Funds

(iii) Description: On May 7, 2020, Congress was notified by Congressional certification transmittal number 19-74, of the possible sale under Section 36(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act, of equipment to refurbish forty-three (43) AH-64E Apache attack helicopters. This included: eighty-eight (88) T700-GE-701D engines (86 remanufactured, 2 spares); forty-seven (47) AN/ASQ-170 Modernized Target Acquisition and Designation Sight/AN/AAR-11 Modernized Pilot Night Vision Sensors (MTADS/PNVS) (43 remanufactured, 2 new, 2 spares); forty-five (45) AAR-57 Common Missile Warning Systems (CMWS) (43 new, 2 spares); and ninety-two (92) Embedded Global Positioning System/Inertial Navigation Systems (EGI) (86 new, 6 spares). Also included were AN/AVR-2B Laser Detecting Sets, AN/APX-119 transponders, Identify Friend or Foe (IFF), AN/APN-209 radar altimeters, AN/ARN-149 Automatic Direction Finders, UHF/VHF radio, tactical AN/ARC-201E radio, APR-39 Radar Warning Sets, Improved Data Modems IDM-401, Enhanced Image Intensifiers EI2, Hellfire launchers M299, 2.75 inch 19 tube rocket launchers, M230 automatic guns, M230 spare gun barrels, MT06 initiators, cartridge actuated JAU-59, training devices, helmets, simulators, generators, transportation, wheeled vehicles and organization equipment, spare and repair parts, support equipment, tools and test equipment, technical data and publications, personnel training and training equipment, U.S. government and contractor engineering, technical, and logistics support services, and other related elements of logistics support. The total estimated program cost was \$2.3 billion. Major Defense Equipment (MDE) constituted \$2.0 billion of this total.

This transmittal notifies inclusion of the following MDE items: ninety-five (95) AN/ARC-231A (RT-1987) radios (not enumerated in the original notification); an additional ten (10) T700-GE-701D engines; and one (1) AN/ASQ-170 Modernized Target Acquisition

and Designation Sight/AN/AAR-11 Modernized Pilot Night Vision Sensor (MTADS/PNVS). Also included are AN/APX-123A Identify Friend or Foe (IFF) transponders; KIV-77 Crypto Appliques; AN/PYQ-10 (C) Simple Key Loaders (SKL); and the Automated Communication Engineering Software (ACES) package. The estimated total value of the added items is \$150 million. The estimated total MDE value will increase by \$150 million to a revised \$2.15 billion. The estimated total non-MDE value will decrease by \$150 million. The total estimated case value will remain \$2.3 billion.

(iv) Significance: This notification is being provided as the additional items replace obsolete items which had not been included in the original notification, and because the aircraft that had been programmed to undergo remanufacture as part of this refurbishment received additional recent damage that required additional parts and support. The proposed articles and services will support Egypt's ongoing effort to modernize its armed forces and increase its capacity to detect threats and control its borders, contributing to the maintenance of regional stability and security. This will contribute to the Egyptian military's effort to update their capabilities and enhance interoperability with the United States and other strategic allies.

(v) Justification: This proposed sale will support the foreign policy and national security objectives of the United States by helping to improve the security of a Major Non-NATO Ally that continues to be an important force for political stability and economic progress in the Middle East.

(vi) Sensitivity of Technology: The AN/ARC-231A (RT-1987) radio is a multi-mode software defined radio providing line of sight very high frequency (VHF)/ultra high frequency (UHF) secure and non-secure voice and data communications over the 30,000-941,000 MHz frequency range and Satellite Communications (SATCOM) beyond line of sight secure and non-secure voice and data, including Demand Assigned Multiple Access (DAMA) communications over the 240-320 MHz frequency range on manned and unmanned aviation platforms. ARC-231A includes improved type-1 cryptographic algorithm and processing capabilities, Civil Land Mobile Radio, Single Channel Ground and Airborne Radios System (SINGARS) capabilities, HAVE QUICK (HQ), Second Generation Anti-Jam Tactical UHF Radio for NATO (SATURN) wave form, 8.33 kHz channel spacing for Global Air-Traffic Management (GATM) compliance, and capability for Mobile User Objective System (MUOS) wave form through possible future hardware and software updates.

The AN/APX-123A Transponder is an IFF digital transponder set that provides pertinent platform information in response to an IFF interrogator. It provides this cooperative capability using full diversity selection, as well as Mode Select capability.

The KIV-77 is a Common Crypto Applique for IFF that provides Mode 4/5 capability.

The AN/PYQ-10 (C) Simple Key Loader (SKL) is a ruggedized, portable, hand-held fill device used for securely receiving, storing, and transferring electronic key material and data between compatible end cryptographic units (ECU) and communications equipment. It supports both the DS-101 and DS-102 interfaces, as well as the Crypto Ignition Key, and is compatible with existing ECUs.

The Sensitivity of Technology Statement contained in the original notification applies to other items reported here.

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

(vii) Date Report Delivered to Congress: March 26, 2024.

NOMINATION OF ANN MARIE McIFF ALLEN

Mr. ROMNEY. Mr. President, I rise today to offer my full support for Judge Ann Marie McIff Allen—a native of my home State—to serve as United States District Court Judge for the District of Utah.

Judge Allen has had an impressive career as a prosecutor, public defender, private civil attorney, and general counsel for Southern Utah University, and she currently serves as associate presiding judge on Utah's Fifth District Court.

Furthermore, she has used her skills and talents to serve the community as a trustee of SUU, a commissioner on the Judicial Performance Evaluation Commission, and a Rotarian. She earned her law degree from the J. Reuben Clark Law School at Brigham Young University and, like me, studied English at BYU for her undergraduate education.

Judge Allen's record and qualifications make it clear that she is exceptionally qualified to serve on the Federal bench. She is an exemplary jurist and I have no doubt that she will serve our State and country with honor and integrity as a district court judge.

I urge my colleagues to confirm Judge Allen as United States District Court Judge for the District of Utah.

VOTE EXPLANATION

Mr. KING. Mr. President, I rise to provide a brief statement on the nomination votes on April 8, 2024. Had I been here for the vote on Monday, April 8, 2024, I would have voted in "yea" on vote No. 115, the motion to invoke cloture on Executive Calendar No. 534 Susan M. Bazis, of Nebraska, to be United States District Judge for the District of Nebraska.

ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

RECOGNIZING THE FRANK HUGHES SCHOOL LIONS

• Mrs. BLACKBURN. Mr. President, I rise today to talk about a real-life Cinderella story that occurred at the Tennessee Secondary School Athletic Association Basketball State Championship. Despite an enrollment of just 93 students—one of the smallest high schools in the State—the Frank Hughes School Lions roared past the competition to become runners up in the Division I Class A tournament. The grit and determination of this team earned the praise of basketball fans across Tennessee—and for good reason: In the first three games of the playoffs, the team trailed their opponents by up to 19 points, only to come out victorious.

Described as the town's "heartbeat," this team was the pride of Clifton, TN,

which was evident at the State tournament. The darlings of the competition, Frank Hughes School had not qualified in 40 years. As the players took to the court, every person and business in the city rallied behind them. When they finished as State runners up and accepted their trophy, the fans roared in a reception only fit for champions. A journalist remarked that the State tournament had emptied the town of Clifton.

This success story is a testament to the incredible schools and small communities in Tennessee that are the heart of America. The Frank Hughes Lions showed that grit, determination, and no excuses will get you far in life. I congratulate the Frank Hughes Lions and the city of Clifton on a great year, and I look forward to their continued success.●

TRIBUTE TO ROBERT WOLFE

• Ms. HASSAN. Mr. President, I am honored to recognize Robert "Bob" Wolfe of Concord as March's Granite Stater of the Month. Since 2000, Bob has welcomed and supported new refugees to Concord, and he has particularly focused on connecting refugee children with local sports leagues to help them fully immerse themselves into their new community.

Bob was inspired to start working with refugees 24 years ago, after he met a man from Sierra Leone who told him about the violence that he had left behind in his home country. Bob knew that he wanted to help refugees navigate their new country in any way that he could. Recognizing the extreme culture shock and language barriers that can prevent newly settled refugees from fully adjusting, Bob has assisted refugee families in Concord in many different ways, for example, by helping them to get houses and apartments, send their children to college, and get rides to immigration court.

One of the biggest ways that Bob helps refugee children settle in is by connecting them with recreational sports. He assists families in getting the right equipment and finding a sport that they enjoy. Although the kids are dealing with a new country, new language, and new way of life, playing a sport is something that everyone can understand and connect over.

Bob has built ties throughout the community over the years to help new refugees feel comfortable in their new home; he is always there to lend his help in whatever way that he can. Bob truly showcases the Granite State spirit of helping your neighbors and building a stronger community. I am proud to recognize Bob's boundless generosity to new Granite Staters.●

TRIBUTE TO CAPTAIN WILLIAM DAVIS

• Mr. SCHMITT. Mr. President, I rise today to honor Captain William Davis of Joplin, MO, for his service to the State of Missouri.

On March 8, 2022, the Joplin Police responded to a disturbance in the parking lot of the Northpark Crossing Shopping Center. As he attempted to flee, the perpetrator sadly killed Corporal Benjamin Cooper and Officer Jake Reed. The perpetrator shot at Captain Davis and Officer Rick Hirshey as they pulled up to the scene, seriously wounding Officer Rick Hirshey. Amidst these devastating events, Captain Davis courageously intervened to stop further harm.

It is because of Captain Davis's selfless action that this murderous rampage was stopped before further losses could be incurred. Captain Davis's bravery in the face of danger prompted him to be recognized as Public Safety Officer Hero of the Year in 2022. This nationwide celebration, hosted by the First Responder's Children's Foundation, is dedicated to first responder heroes who risk their lives every day in service to our communities.

Captain Davis is truly a Champion of Missouri. I am grateful for his commitment to keeping our communities safe and his willingness to face the dangers that arise. I wish him the best as he continues to grow in his career as a captain in the Joplin Police Department.●

TRIBUTE TO JOSEPH SAPP

• Mr. SCHMITT. Mr. President, I rise today to honor Joseph Sapp of Branson, MO, for his service to the State of Missouri.

On December 12, 2022, Branson Police Department Sergeant Abe Jones responded to a call about an altercation in progress in the parking lot of a Branson apartment complex. Sergeant Jones attempted to arrest the suspect, but the suspect repeatedly punched Sergeant Jones in the head. Joseph Sapp, a 19-year-old living in the apartment complex, immediately sprang into action and shoved the assailant away from Sergeant Jones. This support gave Sergeant Jones enough time to get to his feet and arrest the suspect. Joseph selflessly abandoned his own safety and, as a result, prevented any further injury to the officer and, more broadly, to the public. Joseph has since joined the U.S. Army and is stationed in Texas.

Joseph Sapp is truly a Champion of Missouri. His example of bravery serves as a testament to the character of our future generation. It is a sacrifice to jump into a conflict to save another's life. I know that Joseph's character of courage will serve him well as he pursues his career in the military, further serving our great country.●

RECOGNIZING FIRST RESPONDERS

• Mr. SANDERS. Mr. President, as you may know, an arsonist set fire to my Senate office in Burlington, VT, endangering not only the lives of my staff, but many other people who work in the building. Within 2 days, a suspect was