

Senate the pending cloture motion, which the clerk will state.

The senior assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

CLOTURE MOTION

We, the undersigned Senators, in accordance with the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, do hereby move to bring to a close debate on the nomination of Executive Calendar No. 88, Sean Donahue, of Florida, to be an Assistant Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency.

John Thune, Mike Crapo, Thom Tillis, Cynthia M. Lummis, Mike Rounds, Rick Scott, Roger F. Wicker, Katie Boyd Britt, Steve Daines, John Boozman, John R. Curtis, James E. Risch, John Barrasso, Cindy Hyde-Smith, Dan Sullivan, Bernie Moreno, Jim Justice.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. By unanimous consent, the mandatory quorum call has been waived.

The question is, is it the sense of the Senate that debate on the nomination of Sean Donahue, of Florida, to be an Assistant Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, shall be brought to a close?

The yeas and nays are mandatory under the rule.

The clerk will call the roll.

The assistant bill clerk called the roll.

Mr. BARRASSO. The following Senator is necessarily absent: the Senator from South Carolina (Mr. GRAHAM).

The yeas and nays resulted—yeas 52, nays 47, as follows:

[Rollcall Vote No. 257 Ex.]

YEAS—52

Banks	Grassley	Mullin
Barrasso	Hagerty	Murkowski
Blackburn	Hawley	Paul
Boozman	Hoeven	Ricketts
Britt	Husted	Risch
Budd	Hyde-Smith	Rounds
Capito	Johnson	Schmitt
Cassidy	Justice	Scott (FL)
Collins	Kennedy	Scott (SC)
Cornyn	Lankford	Sheehy
Cotton	Lee	Sullivan
Cramer	Lummis	Thune
Crapo	Marshall	Tillis
Cruz	McConnell	Tuberville
Curtis	McCormick	Wicker
Daines	Moody	Moran
Ernst	Moran	Young
Fischer	Moreno	

NAYS—47

Alsobrooks	Hickenlooper	Rosen
Baldwin	Hirono	Sanders
Bennet	Kaine	Schatz
Blumenthal	Kelly	Schiff
Blunt Rochester	Kim	Schumer
Booker	King	Shaheen
Cantwell	Klobuchar	Slotkin
Coons	Lujan	Smith
Cortez Masto	Markey	Van Hollen
Duckworth	Merkley	Warner
Durbin	Murphy	Warnock
Fetterman	Murray	Warren
Gallego	Ossoff	Welch
Gillibrand	Padilla	Whitehouse
Hassan	Peters	Wyden
Heinrich	Reed	

NOT VOTING—1

Graham

The PRESIDING OFFICER. On this vote, the yeas are 52, the nays are 47.

The motion is agreed to.

EXECUTIVE CALENDAR

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the nomination.

The assistant bill clerk read the nomination of Sean Donahue, of Florida, to be an Assistant Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The majority leader.

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

MORNING BUSINESS

Mr. THUNE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate resume legislative session and be in a period of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak therein for up to 10 minutes each.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

TRIBUTE TO KARL BAILEY

Mr. THUNE. Mr. President, today I have the privilege of recognizing my friend Karl Bailey, who will soon retire from the Architect of the Capitol after 23 years of Federal service as the supervisory health and fitness specialist in the Senate Members' fitness facility.

Karl began working in the Senate Members' fitness facility in March 2002 after 20 years as head athletic trainer at the Catholic University of America. Karl is the first health and fitness specialist hired by the Architect of the Capitol, working specifically in the Members' gym, designing workout routines for Senators. Karl is also the first NATA BOC certified athletic trainer to work in the legislative branch, specifically with Senators.

Karl has not only made an impact on Senators' health and well-being at the gym, but also the facility itself. In 2003, Karl lent his expertise to the floor design and purchase of strength and aerobic exercise equipment during a renovation of the Members' gym. Karl has overseen subsequent improvements to the Members' gym during his tenure.

Karl has been supported by his wife Susan, son Matthew, and daughter Rachel, who served as a Senate page in 2010. The Baileys will continue to reside in Glenn Dale, MD, while awaiting new adventures in retirement. As Karl embarks on a well-earned retirement, I want to extend my heartfelt gratitude for his friendship over the years. It has been a pleasure working with you, Karl, and I pray that God blesses you and your family in the days ahead.

ARMS SALES NOTIFICATION

Mr. RISCH. 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 notifica-

tion 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 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. 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. 25-23, concerning the Army's proposed Letter(s) of Offer and Acceptance to the Government of the Czech Republic for defense services estimated to cost \$181 million. We will issue a news release to notify the public of this proposed sale upon delivery of this letter to your office.

Sincerely,

MICHAEL F. MILLER,
Director.

Enclosures.

TRANSMITTAL NO. 25-23

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 the Czech Republic.

(ii) Total Estimated Value:
Major Defense Equipment * \$0.
Other \$181 million.
Total \$181 million.

Funding Source: National Funds

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

Major Defense Equipment (MDE):

None

Non-Major Defense Equipment: The following non-MDE items will be included: AN/PYQ-10A(C) simple key loaders; AN/PRC-160, AN/PRC-163, and AN/PRC-167 radios; RF-300M-DL(C) small secure data links and support equipment; spare parts; U.S. Government and contractor technical engineering, logistics, and personnel services; and other related elements of logistics and program support.

(iv) Military Department: Army (EZ-B-UEZ).

(v) Prior Related Cases, if any: None.

(vi) Sales Commission, Fee, etc., Paid, Offered, or Agreed to be Paid: None known at this time.

(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: May 5, 2025.

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

POLICY JUSTIFICATION

Czech Republic—Communications
Equipment

The Government of the Czech Republic has requested to buy AN/PYQ-10A(C) simple key loaders; AN/PRC-160, AN/PRC-163, and AN/PRC-167 radios; RF-300M-DL(C) small secure data links and support equipment; spare

parts; U.S. Government and contractor technical engineering, logistics, and personnel services; and other related elements of logistics and program support. The estimated total program cost is \$181 million.

This proposed sale will support the foreign policy goals and national security objectives of the United States by improving the security of a NATO Ally that is a force for political stability and economic progress in Europe.

The proposed sale will support the ongoing transformation of the Czech Armed Forces into a modern military that is properly trained, well equipped, and interoperable with U.S. and other NATO forces. The procurement would facilitate U.S. security goals by improving the Czech Republic's ability to contribute to NATO efforts to secure the eastern flank of the Alliance and deter aggression in the region. It would also enhance the capabilities the Czech Republic could provide to NATO and coalition expeditionary operations.

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

The principal contractor will be L3Harris Global Communications, Inc., located in Rochester, NY. At this time, the U.S. Government is not aware of any offset agreement proposed in connection with this potential sale. Any offset agreement will be defined in negotiations between the purchaser and the contractor.

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

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/PYQ-10A(C) simple key loader's (SKL) latest production version is called the SKL V3.1 and offers improved fill port ruggedization, an enhanced brightness/contrast LCD, and a touchscreen interface that supports both finger and stylus input. The AN/PYQ-10A(C) V3.1 SKL provides a secure means of distribution and storage of COMSEC material, mission data, and configuration files and continues to be compatible with a multitude of cryptographic systems.

2. The Falcon III AN/PRC-160(V) is the smallest, lightest, fastest, Type 1-certified manpack radio available today. Engineered for advanced security and performance, the wideband high frequency very high frequency tactical radio system features industry-leading encryption and breakthrough data performance and interoperability.

3. The AN/PRC-163 multi-channel handheld radio is a versatile, secure solution that leverages crossbanding to provide simultaneous data & voice across satellite communications (SATCOM), line-of-sight, and mobile ad-hoc networking (MANET) modes. As mission needs evolve, this software-defined handheld supports fast, in-field updates to new capabilities. An external mission module hardware interface allows warfighters to quickly add options including intelligence, surveillance, and reconnaissance (ISR) video and SATCOM.

4. The AN/PRC-167 harnesses the power of multiple tactical devices converged into a single manpack. The radio provides superior communications range extension, allowing for real-time situational awareness updates. Engineered to meet multi-domain challenges

of any combination of ground, vehicular and airborne missions, the manpack simultaneously and independently runs a full frequency range of waveforms on each of two channels. As mission needs evolve, this software-defined manpack radio supports fast, in-field updates to new capabilities.

5. The RF300M-DL(C) small secure data link (SSDL) is a single-channel, easily embedded tactical radio with a reduced size, weight, and power (SWaP) engineered to meet challenging requirements in a variety of platforms, including ground vehicles, helicopters, and Unmanned Aerial Vehicles (UAVs). The SSDL provides multiband, multi-mode networking capabilities, ideal for warfighters on the tactical edge, allowing them to switch networks and waveforms on-the-move for real-time battle intelligence.

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 system effectiveness or be used in the development of a system with similar or advanced capabilities.

8. A determination has been made that the Czech Republic 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 Czech Republic.

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DEFENSE SECURITY COOPERATION AGENCY, Washington, DC.

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)(5)(C) of the Arms Export Control Act (AECA), as amended, we are forwarding Transmittal No. 25-0U. This notification relates to enhancements or upgrades from the level of sensitivity of technology or capability described

in Section 36(b)(1) AECA certification 24-75 of August 9, 2024.

Sincerely,

MICHAEL F. MILLER, Director.

Enclosure.

TRANSMITTAL NO. 25-0U

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

(i) Prospective Purchaser: Government of Norway.

(ii) Sec. 36(b)(1), AECA Transmittal No.: 24-75; Date: August 9, 2024; Implementing Agency: Army.

(iii) Description: On August 9, 2024, Congress was notified by congressional certification transmittal number 24-75, of the possible sale, under Section 36(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act, of sixteen (16) M142 High Mobility Artillery Rocket Systems (HIMARS); fifteen (15) M30A2 Guided Multiple Launch Rocket System (GMLRS) Alternative Warhead (AW) pods with Insensitive Munitions Propulsion System (IMPS); fifteen (15) M31A2 GMLRS Unitary (GMLRS-U) high explosive pods with IMPS; and one hundred (100) M57 Army Tactical Missile System (ATACMS) pods. Also included were Low Cost Reduced Range Practice Rocket (LCRRPR) pods; interactive electronic technical manuals; integration support services; spare parts; tool kits; test equipment; contractor logistics support; training; training equipment; technical assistance; technical publications; transportation; and other related elements of logistics and program support. The estimated total cost was \$580 million. Major Defense Equipment (MDE) constituted \$510 million of this total.

This transmittal notifies the addition of the following MDE items: twenty-five (25) M403 Extended Range Guided Multiple Launch Rocket System (ER-GMLRS) Alternative Warhead (AW) pods; and twenty-five (25) M404 ER-GMLRS Unitary pods. This transmittal also notifies an MDE increase in value for the previously notified M57 Army Tactical Missile System (ATACMS) pods, due to recent cost increases. The additional \$260 million value of the new MDE items, in addition to the \$240 million value increase, will result in a total MDE value increase of \$500 million. The non-MDE value will remain at \$70 million. The estimated total case value will increase by \$500 million to a revised \$1.08 billion. MDE will constitute \$1.01 billion of this total.

(iv) Significance: This notification is being provided as the MDE items were not enumerated in the original notification. The inclusion of this MDE represents an increase in capability over what was previously notified. The proposed sale will improve Norway's capability to meet current and future threats and enhance its interoperability with U.S. and other allied forces. It will also enhance Norway's artillery and long-range capability.

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

(vi) Sensitivity of Technology: The Extended Range Guided Multiple Launch Rocket System (ER-GMLRS) provides a persistent, responsive all-weather, rapidly deployed, long-range, surface-to-surface, area- and point-precision strike capability. The M403 Alternative Warhead variant carries a 200-pound fragmentation assembly filled with high explosives which, upon detonation, accelerates two layers of preformed penetrators optimized for effectiveness against large area and imprecisely located targets. The M404 Unitary variant is