

Other \$304 million.

Total \$304 million.

Funding Source: Foreign Military Financing.

(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/TPS-78 long range radar turnkey systems; KIV-78 cryptographic devices; Global Positioning System (GPS) devices with Selective Availability Anti-Spoofing Modules (SAASM); spare and repair parts; software and software support; personnel training and training equipment; U.S. Government and contractor engineering, technical, and logistics support services; and other related elements of logistics and program support.

(iv) Military Department: Air Force (EG-DBG).

(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: February 4, 2025.

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

POLICY JUSTIFICATION

Egypt—AN/TPS-78 Long Range Radar

The Government of Egypt has requested to buy AN/TPS-78 long range radar turnkey systems; KIV-78 cryptographic devices; Global Positioning System (GPS) devices with Selective Availability Anti-Spoofing Modules (SAASM); spare and repair parts; software and software support; personnel training and training equipment; U.S. Government and contractor engineering, technical, and logistics support services; and other related elements of logistics and program support. The estimated total cost is \$304 million.

This proposed sale will support U.S. foreign policy and national security objectives by helping to improve the security of a friendly country that continues to be an important force for political stability and economic growth in the Middle East.

The proposed sale will improve Egypt's capability to meet current and future threats by improving its ability to detect various air threats. Egypt already operates a mixture of other radar systems and will have no difficulty absorbing this equipment and services 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 Northrop Grumman Corporation, located in Falls Church, VA. 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 Egypt.

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

TRANSMITTAL NO. 24-100

Notice of Proposed Issuance of Letter of Offer Pursuant to Section 36(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act

Annex Item No. vii

(vii) Sensitivity of Technology:

1. The KIV-78 is a cryptographic appliqué for Identification Friend or Foe (IFF). It can be loaded with Mode 5 classified elements.

2. The Global Positioning System (GPS) devices with Selective Availability Anti-Spoofing Module (SAASM) and Precise Positioning Service (PPS) are self-contained navigation systems that provide the following: acceleration, velocity, position, altitude, platform azimuth, magnetic and true heading, altitude, body angular rates, time tags, and coordinated universal time (UTC) synchronized time. SAASM enables the GPS receiver access to the encrypted P (Y or M) signal, providing protection against active spoofing attacks.

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

4. 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.

5. A determination has been made that the 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.

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

ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

RECOGNIZING WORLD'S WINDOW

• Ms. ERNST. Madam President, as chair 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 World's Window of Cedar Falls, IA, as the Senate Small Business of the Week.

In 1982, Vonna Yoder founded World's Window to educate the Cedar Valley community about fair trade business practices and to support artisans worldwide. Driven by a desire to help international artisans find success through fair wages and ethical trade, Vonna began to sell global artisan products at a church-sponsored gift fair. After the overwhelming success of the second annual fair, she established a permanent retail store in 1984. World's Window operated as a community-led nonprofit for 40 years until 2022 when a longtime volunteer Betsy Roling decided to purchase the shop and keep the mission alive as a family-owned small business.

Today, World's Window continues to thrive in its downtown Cedar Falls storefront, offering an array of high-quality, handcrafted goods from over 30 countries and 40 artisan groups and co-operators. While preserving the shop's global mission, Betsy also introduced a local vision with the Cob Mercantile. With the help of community volunteers

and employees, Betsy opened a year-round indoor market to give local Iowa artisans a Main Street location without the typical costs associated. The Cob Mercantile offers a shared marketing and online sales platform and a physical booth space. Beyond World's Window store and the Cob Mercantile, Betsy opened a space for local artisans to rent and host classes, workshops, or private events for children and adults in the community.

World's Window remains an active part of the Cedar Valley community. The business is a member of the Cedar Falls Downtown District. In addition, the company offers special fundraising nights for organizations to host an event in the shop and take home a guaranteed portion of the total proceeds back to their business. The two conjoined storefronts remain an important part of the Cedar Falls Main Street, embodying the meaning of service—whether it is supporting local Iowa businesses or international artisans. Later this year, World's Window looks forward to celebrating its 43rd year in Iowa.

The entrepreneurial spirit and commitment to global and local impact demonstrated by World's Window and the Cob Mercantile are clear. I want to congratulate Betsy Roling, her family, Vonna Yoder, and the entire team for their hard work and dedication to enriching their community and providing unique, meaningful products to families across Iowa. I look forward to seeing their continued growth and success. •

TRIBUTE TO NAVY SECOND CLASS OFFICER STEPHEN WOODFIN

• Mr. TUBERVILLE. Madam President, America's military is the greatest in the world because of men and women who take pride in their role to keep us safe. No one demonstrates this better than Second Class Officer Stephen Woodfin of Harvest, AL.

After being drafted into the Navy in 1968, Stephen found himself far from his smalltown Alabama farm at basic training in Nashville and San Diego. He describes this journey from the farm to the Navy as "a country boy in hog heaven."

After basic training, he was shipped out to the South Pacific to serve his country for the next 4 years in the Vietnam war. Like many Vietnam veterans, Stephen saw firsthand the horrors of war. Yet Stephen is still proud to say he served in the military and says his time in combat led him to meet some of the finest people he ever met.

Shortly before returning home in 1972, Stephen met his wife, whom he describes as the best thing that ever happened to him. After their return back to the States, Stephen took on several different roles, including husband, father, postal serviceman, teacher, and many more.

For more than two decades, he worked at the local post office. Whether delivering or shipping mail, people in the local area could always count on him to help them with a smile and see the job through no matter how long it took. One Christmas Eve, he even worked late hours delivering hundreds of packages because of a delivery backup, to make sure all the kids in his area could open their new toys on Christmas morning. This is just one example of the many, of Stephen continuously putting other's well-being before his own.

He received several awards for his outstanding service, including Clerk of the Month and Carrier of the Month. There is no denying that Stephen's pride in helping others has been evident in everything he has done.

In 1997, Stephen, his wife, and their two sons moved back home to Harvest to the same farm he grew up on. There, he was able to pass on those same values like grit and hard work to his sons, including James, who nominated him for this recognition.

Stephen's story reminds us that we don't have to have a fancy title to make an impact, but you can make a difference with the roles you have. Whether in No. 1, the military; No. 2, the farm; No. 3, his family; or No. 4, his community, Stephen has given 110 percent to everything he does.

It is my honor to recognize him as the February Veteran of the Month.

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

A message from the President of the United States was communicated to the Senate by Mr. Hanley, one of his secretaries.

PRESIDENTIAL MESSAGE

REPORT OF THE CONTINUATION OF THE NATIONAL EMERGENCY THAT WAS ORIGINALLY DECLARED IN EXECUTIVE ORDER 14014 OF FEBRUARY 10, 2021, WITH RESPECT TO BURMA—PM 9

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the following message from the President of the United States, together with an accompanying report; which was referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:

To the Congress of the United States:

Section 202(d) of the National Emergencies Act (50 U.S.C. 1622(d)) provides for the automatic termination of a national emergency unless, within 90 days prior to the anniversary date of its declaration, the President publishes in the *Federal Register* and transmits to the Congress a notice stating that the emergency is to continue in effect beyond the anniversary date. In accordance with this provision, I have sent to the *Federal Register* for publication the enclosed notice stating that the na-

tional emergency with respect to the situation in and in relation to Burma declared in Executive Order 14014 of February 10, 2021, is to continue in effect beyond February 10, 2025.

The situation in and in relation to Burma, and in particular the February 1, 2021, coup—in which the military overthrew the democratically elected civilian government of Burma and unjustly arrested and detained government leaders, politicians, human rights defenders, journalists, and religious leaders, thereby rejecting the will of the people of Burma and undermining the country's democratic transition and rule of law—continues to pose an unusual and extraordinary threat to the national security and foreign policy of the United States. Therefore, I have determined that it is necessary to continue the national emergency declared in Executive Order 14014 with respect to the situation in and in relation to Burma.

DONALD J. TRUMP,
THE WHITE HOUSE, February 4, 2025.

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with accompanying papers, reports, and documents, and were referred as indicated:

EC-310. A communication from the Assistant to the Director of the Office of Regulatory Affairs and Collaborative Action, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Federal Acknowledgement of American Indian Tribes" (RIN1076-AF67) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 28, 2025; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

EC-311. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Director of Congressional Relations, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Immigration Bond Notifications" (RIN1653-AA85) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 28, 2025; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-312. A communication from the Agency Representative, Patent and Trademark Office, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Setting and Adjusting Trademark Fees During Fiscal Year 2025" (RIN0651-AD65) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 27, 2025; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-313. A communication from the Agency Representative, Patent and Trademark Office, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Setting and Adjusting Trademark Fees During Fiscal Year 2025" (RIN0651-AD64) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 27, 2025; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following executive reports of nominations were submitted:

By Mr. CRAPO for the Committee on Finance.

*Robert F. Kennedy, Jr., of California, to be Secretary of Health and Human Services.

By Mr. COTTON for the Select Committee on Intelligence.

*Tulsi Gabbard, of Hawaii, to be Director of National Intelligence.

*Nomination was reported with recommendation that it be confirmed subject to the nominee's commitment to respond to requests to appear and testify before any duly constituted committee of the Senate.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills and joint resolutions were introduced, read the first and second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

By Mr. KENNEDY (for himself and Mr. CRAMER):

S. 379. A bill to prohibit the General Services Administration from awarding contracts to certain insured depository institutions that avoid doing business with certain companies that are engaged in lawful commerce based solely on social policy considerations; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Ms. HASSAN (for herself, Ms. COLLINS, Mrs. BRITT, and Ms. SMITH):

S. 380. A bill to improve obstetric emergency care; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. SANDERS (for himself and Mr. HAWLEY):

S. 381. A bill to amend the Truth in Lending Act to cap credit card interest rates at 10 percent; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. SCHMITT (for himself, Mr. COTTON, Mr. LANKFORD, Mr. DAINES, Mr. TUBERVILLE, Mrs. BLACKBURN, Mr. MARSHALL, Ms. LUMMIS, Mr. CASSIDY, Mr. RISCH, Mr. CRAMER, Mr. BANKS, Mr. SHEEHY, Mrs. HYDE-SMITH, Mr. SCOTT of Florida, Mr. LEE, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. JOHNSON, Mr. HAWLEY, and Mr. BUDD):

S. 382. A bill to ensure equal protection of the law, to prevent racism in the Federal Government, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. KAINE (for himself, Ms. COLLINS, Ms. SMITH, Mr. MARSHALL, Ms. BALDWIN, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Ms. BLUNT ROCHSTER, Mr. BOOKER, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mrs. CAPITO, Mr. COONS, Ms. CORTEZ MASTO, Mr. CRAMER, Mr. DAINES, Ms. DUCKWORTH, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Ms. HASSAN, Mr. HEINRICH, Mr. HICKENLOOPER, Mr. HOEVEN, Mrs. HYDE-SMITH, Mr. KELLY, Mr. KING, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. MERKLEY, Mr. OSSOFF, Mr. PETERS, Ms. ROSEN, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mr. SULLIVAN, Mr. TILLIS, Mr. TUBERVILLE, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, Mr. WARNER, Mr. WICKER, and Mr. WYDEN):

S. 383. A bill to extend Federal Pell Grant eligibility of certain short-term programs; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. COTTON:

S. 384. A bill to prohibit the use of materials that use the term "West Bank", and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. CORNYN (for himself, Ms. HASSAN, Mr. CRUZ, and Mr. KING):

S. 385. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to periodically review the automatic maximum coverage under the Servicemembers' Group Life Insurance program and the Veterans' Group Life Insurance