#### TRANSMITTAL NO. 25-91

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 Ukraine.

(ii) Total Estimated Value:

Major Defense Equipment \* \$0.

Other \$105 million.

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Funding Source: JUMPSTART Funding from Germany.

(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: sustainment related articles and services for the PATRIOT air defense system, including the upgrade of M901 launchers to M903 configuration; classified and unclassified prescribed load lists and authorized stockage lists for ground support equipment; other necessary services, ancillaries, spare parts, support, training, and accessories; and other related elements of logistics and program support.

- (iv) Military Department: Army (JU–B–UAE).
- (v) Prior Related Cases, if any: UP-B-UDC and USAI Cases NX-B-VAB, NW-B-WMA, NW-B-WME, KA-B-WAM, KA-B-WAZ, M-B-WBA, KA-B-WBB, KA-B-WDE.
- (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: November 18, 2025.
- $^{\ast} As$  defined in Section 47(6) of the Arms Export Control Act.

# POLICY JUSTIFICATION

### Ukraine—PATRIOT Air Defense System Sustainment

The Government of Ukraine has requested to buy sustainment related articles and services for the PATRIOT air defense system, including the upgrade of M901 launchers to M903 configuration; classified and unclassified prescribed load lists and authorized stockage lists for ground support equipment; other necessary services, ancillaries, spare parts, support, training, and accessories; and other related elements of logistics and program support. The estimated total cost is \$105 million.

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

The proposed sale will improve Ukraine's ability to meet current and future threats by further equipping it to conduct self-defense and regional security missions with a more robust local sustainment capability. Ukraine will have no difficulty absorbing these articles 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 contractors will be RTX Corporation, located in Arlington, VA, and Lockheed Martin, located in Bethesda, MD. 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 require the assignment of approximately five

additional U.S. Government and fifteen U.S. contractor representatives to the European Combatant Command for the duration of up to one month to support training and periodic meetings.

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 PATRIOT air defense system contains sensitive and critical technology. The M903 upgrade will allow for deployment of all the munitions fieldable with the M902 configuration as well as the PATRIOT Advanced Capability-3 (PAC-3) Missile Segment Enhanced (MSE) munition. The MSE variant of the PAC-3 is the next generation of hit-to-kill interceptors and provides expanded battlespace against evolving threats.
- 2. The highest level of classification of defense articles, components, and services 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 system effectiveness or be used in the development of a system with similar or advanced capabilities.
- 4. 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 proposed 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 Ukraine.

# TRIBUTE TO MAJOR BRIAN DULZO

Mrs. MURRAY. Mr. President, I rise today to celebrate MAJ Brian Dulzo for his exemplary dedication to duty and service to the Nation and Washington State. Major Dulzo served as an Army congressional fellow in my office, and he currently serves with distinction in the Army Congressional Budget Liaison Office, assisting my office and many others in serving our constituents

Originally from Novi, MI, Major Dulzo's commitment to service began with his graduation from the University of Michigan in 2011, where he earned a bachelor of science in nursing and received his commission as an officer in the Army Nurse Corps. He continued to prove himself as a hard-working team member as he earned a master of arts in international relations from American Military University, a master of professional studies in congressional affairs from George Washington University, and a graduate certificate in global health engagement from Uniformed Services University.

Throughout his 14 years of dedicated service thus far, Major Dulzo's selfless dedication to our Nation and his fellow servicemembers has been apparent in every role he has taken on. Major

Dulzo has demonstrated exceptional leadership in a variety of essential positions, including as a critical care nurse, aide-de-camp to a commanding general, company commander, and officer-in-charge of a critical care section. During very uncertain times, he deployed to Iraq and Syria in support of Operation Inherent Resolve. Prior to his selection into the Army congressional fellowship, Major Dulzo led the critical care section at Madigan Army Medical Center, Joint Base Lewis-McChord, in Washington State.

I have had the distinct pleasure of working directly with Major Dulzo over the past 3 years. His professionalism, unwavering commitment to our Nation and Washington State, and insightful contributions have earned the respect of me, my entire staff, and countless other offices. His work on servicemember healthcare, housing, childcare, and military families has been invaluable. Throughout his career, Major Dulzo has consistently demonstrated a profound dedication to the well-being of his peers and superiors alike.

I offer my deepest appreciation for Major Dulzo's leadership and continued dedication to our Nation's servicemembers. I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing his outstanding contributions to the U.S. Army and wishing Major Dulzo the best on his next assignment.

# THE BALLAD OF JANE GOODALL

Mr. WHITEHOUSE. Mr. President, in fond memory of Dame Jane Goodall, 1934–2025, Explorers Club Fellow, Honorary Member, and Explorers Club Medalist, by L. M. Levie:

There's a tale explorers tell, of a girl with drive and dreams, Who was born in Hampstead, London in a home of modest means, With a small toy chimp named Jubilee clutched close against her heart, And a yearning for the wilderness, imprinted from the start.

She would read of Doctor Dolittle and apes of Tarzan's land, While her mother, kind and gentle, held her daughter's reaching hand. Though she had no lofty pedigree from university, Jane set out upon a mission that would change humanity.

Jane would save all of her wages, every shilling, pence and pound, And she booked a ship to Africa, to Kenya she was bound. In the camp of Louis Leakey, digging age-old skulls from earth, He found something in her manner, recognized her hidden worth.

"You shall study chimpanzees in the wilds of Gombe Stream, You shall live among the primates and fulfill your childhood dream." So at twenty-six she ventured to Tanzania's lake shore, Where no woman dared go solo, where no scholar went before.

And at first the chimps would scatter, running fearful through the trees, But she sat there day and nighttime under sun and rain and breeze. 'Til one ancient male named David with a beard of silver-gray, Took a nut from Jane's kind outstretched hand and gently squeezed to say:

"You are welcome here among us, you may watch us, you may learn." And upon this invitation, science took a mighty turn. Through the years at Gombe watching, Jane recorded every deed, How they shared their

food and groomed with care—compassion was their creed,

How they laughed and kissed and mourned their dead with grief upon their face, How they held the mirror to us, showing evolution's trace. But in nineteen-eighty-six she flew far above this wood, And she saw the devastation where the forest once had stood.

She was no more mere observer, now she'd fight to save and teach, And she traveled 'round the planet, bringing hope within her reach. On three hundred days of travel, every year for decades long, Speaking, begging, preaching, pleading, singing out her urgent song:

"Every person makes a difference, every action matters true, And the future of our planet, of all life, depends on you." On October first she left us, and she shed all mortal cares. Ninety-one years of devotion, of a life of answered prayers.

Jane, who gave her life to nature, and gave voice to all things wild, Has returned unto the earth now, still a curious, loving child. So we weep for Jane this evening, though we know she'd ask us: "Why? I have lived the life I dreamed of underneath the broadest sky."

As we mourn for you, dear Jane, your great legacy burns bright, And the world's a kinder place because you brought us to the light. For in every child who plants a tree, in every soul who cares, In every word of hope and faith, we find you standing there.

Rest now in peace, dear Jane Goodall, in earth you loved and knew, You showed us how to live with grace, with courage strong and true. And when the wind sings through the Gombe trees, chimps call at dawn, Remembering one who loved them—Though she's gone, her work lives on.

### ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

# TRIBUTE TO BRIGADIER GENERAL DALE STOVALL

• Mr. DAINES. Mr. President, today I have the honor of recognizing Brigadier General (Ret.) Dale Stovall of Missoula as Montanan of the Month for his extraordinary courage, lifetime of military service, and heroic actions that saved the lives of his fellow airmen during the Vietnam war. Earlier this year, Ret. General Stovall traveled to Washington, DC, where he received well-deserved recognition from President Trump for the daring rescues that he carried out decades ago in Vietnam. His story is one of unwavering bravery, humility, and dedication to his country.

During his service as a helicopter pilot in the U.S. Air Force, then-Captain Stovall flew some of the most dangerous missions of the war, going deep into hostile territory under heavy enemy fire to rescue downed American airmen. One of his most legendary missions was the rescue of fellow airman Roger Locker, a mission so dangerous that Stovall recalled the sky filled with explosions as he maneuvered his helicopter through relentless enemy attacks. Despite the danger, Stovall pressed on. His extraordinary flying skill and refusal to give up saved Locker's life and many others.

Over the course of a single combat tour, he completed 12 rescues behind enemy lines. On each one, he risked his own life so that another American could go home to their family. For these acts of heroism, General Stovall received the Air Force Cross, the Distinguished Flying Cross, and two Silver Stars, making him one of the most highly decorated Air Force Academy graduates in history.

But in true Montana fashion, General Stovall is always quick to shift the spotlight away from himself. He reminds us that rescue missions are a team effort of pilots, crew members, and rescuers united under the Jolly Green motto: "That Others May Live."

After Vietnam, Stovall continued to serve our Nation with distinction, ultimately retiring as a brigadier general after 31 years in uniform. His commitment to service, courage under fire, and lifelong dedication to his fellow servicemembers make him a hero of the Vietnam era.

General Stovall, you make Montana proud. Your legacy of valor, humility, and service will inspire Montanans for years to come. It is my honor to recognize you as Montanan of the Month.●

## RECOGNIZING BOERNSEN BEES

• Ms. ERNST. Mr. 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 honor Boernsen Bees of Osceola County, IA, as the Senate Small Business of the Week.

Founded in the summer of 2004 in Ocheyedan, IA, Boernsen Bees began when Marlene Boernsen and her family transformed a simple backyard hobby into a thriving generational enterprise. What started as an effort to provide her children with the healthiest and most natural foods quickly grew into a passion for beekeeping and a commitment to understanding the vital role honeybees play in agriculture and the environment. Marlene first introduced her honey to the community through local farmers markets, selling raw honey in its purest form. As demand increased, the Boernsen family expanded their offerings and grew their apiary to more than 400 colonies. Today, Boernsen Bees produces more than 18 products, including creamed honey in over 20 flavors, raw honey, lemonade, body lotions, lip honev balms, beeswax candles, gift sets, and seasonal specialty items. The business also provides bees and basic beekeeping supplies, supporting hobbyists and new beekeepers across the region as interest in pollinator health continues to grow.

With a team of five employees, including Marlene's two daughters-in-law Jill and Mara, Boernsen Bees has grown well beyond its backyard origins. The business now sells at its storefront, known as the "Honey House," which has become a local destination for families, school groups,

and community members interested in honey production. In addition to inperson sales, Boernsen Bees operates an online store and partners with 26 year-round retailers and 4 seasonal locations throughout Iowa, Minnesota, and South Dakota. Through sustainable practices and a deep respect for nature, Boernsen Bees continues to expand while promoting environmental stewardship across the Midwest.

Marlene and the Boernsen Bees team are deeply committed to their community. They participate in local farmers markets throughout the spring and summer, helping connect residents with Iowa-made products while educating the public about the importance of pollinators. Marlene serves as the district 6 director of the Iowa Honey Producers Association, IHPA, where she supports fellow beekeepers, coordinates regional outreach, and helps lead educational efforts across the State. Beyond her involvement with IHPA. Marlene advocates for local food producers by engaging with the Osceola County Board of Supervisors on initiatives related to community self-governance and small-scale agriculture. In February 2025, her leadership earned her a Small Business Salute from the Iowa Secretary of State.

What began as one mother's effort to provide for her family has grown into a thriving Iowa business admired well beyond its county line. It is my honor to recognize Marlene Boernsen and the entire Boernsen Bees team for their dedication, innovation, and service to their community. I look forward to their continued success and wish them the very best in the years to come.

# RECOGNIZING LAKE CITY VETERINARY SERVICE

• Ms. ERNST. Mr. 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 honor Lake City Veterinary Service of Calhoun County, IA, as the Senate Small Business of the Week.

Founded in 1974, Lake City Veterinary Service was established by Dr. Paul Armbrecht, a dedicated swine veterinarian whose lifelong commitment to supporting independent livestock producers has shaped the practice. After graduating from Iowa State University and serving in the U.S. Army Veterinary Corps, Dr. Armbrecht and his wife planted their roots in Lake City. For more than 40 years, Dr. Armbrecht has served as the Calhoun County Expo veterinarian, providing guidance to independent pork producers, as well as diagnosing and troubleshooting farm operations, and mentoring the next generation of veterinarians. He has also contributed his expertise to swine disease eradication campaigns and to committees focused on foreign animal disease preparedness,