

29. (66) Calendar Number 552: Timothy Petty, of Indiana, to be Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Oceans and Atmosphere.

30. Calendar Number 553: Laura DiBella, of Florida, to be a Federal Maritime Commissioner for a term expiring June 30, 2028.

31. Calendar Number 555: Michelle A. Schultz, of Pennsylvania, to be a Member of the Surface Transportation Board for a term expiring November 30, 2030. (Reappointment)

32. Calendar Number 565: Benjamin Leon, Jr., of Florida, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Kingdom of Spain, and to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Principality of Andorra.

33. Calendar Number 566: Brent Christensen, of Virginia, a Career Member of the Senior Foreign Service, Class of Counselor, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the People's Republic of Bangladesh.

34. Calendar Number 567: Morvared Namdarkhan, of Texas, to be an Assistant Secretary of State (Consular Affairs).

35. Calendar Number 575: Erin Creegan, of New Hampshire, to be United States Attorney for the District of New Hampshire for the term of 4 years.

36. Calendar Number 578: Scott Leary, of Mississippi, to be United States Attorney for the Northern District of Mississippi for the term of 4 years.

37. Calendar Number 582: Melissa Argyros, of California, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Republic of Latvia.

38. Calendar Number 583: Yehuda Kaploun, of Florida, to be Special Envoy to Monitor and Combat Anti-Semitism, with the rank of Ambassador.

39. Calendar Number 584: Bernardo Navarro, of Puerto Rico, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Republic of Peru.

40. Calendar Number 585: Darryl Nirenberg, of Virginia, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to Romania.

41. Calendar Number 587: Christopher Yeaw, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of State (Arms Control, Nonproliferation, and Stability).

42. Calendar Number 588: Mary Anne Carter, of Tennessee, to be Chairperson of the National Endowment for the Arts for a term of 4 years.

#### ARMS SALES NOTIFICATION

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DEFENSE SECURITY  
COOPERATION AGENCY,  
Washington, DC.

Hon. MIKE JOHNSON,  
*Speaker, House of Representatives,*  
Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: Pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act, as amended, we are forwarding herewith Transmittal No. 25-79, concerning the Army's proposed Letter(s) of Offer and Acceptance to the Government of Lebanon for defense articles and services estimated to cost \$34.5 million. We will issue a news release to notify the public of this proposed sale upon delivery of this letter to your office.

Sincerely,

MARY BETH MORGAN  
(for Michael F. Miller, Director).

Enclosures.

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TRANSMITTAL NO. 25-79

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 Lebanon.

(ii) Total Estimated Value:

Major Defense Equipment \* \$31.0 million.

Other \$3.5 million.

Total \$34.5 million.

Funding Source: Foreign Military Financing.

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

(FMS) case LE-B-UAH was below congressional notification threshold at \$12.26 million (\$10.85 million in major defense equipment) and included fifty M1151A1 High Mobility Multi-Purpose Wheeled Vehicles (HMMWVs). The Government of Lebanon has requested that the case be amended to include an additional ninety M1151A1 HMMWVs. This amendment thus exceeds the notification threshold, therefore notification of the entire program is required. The above notification requirements are combined as follows:

Major Defense Equipment (MDE):

One hundred forty (140) M1151A1 high mobility multipurpose wheeled vehicles (HMMWVs).

Non-Major Defense Equipment: The following non-MDE items will also be included: RF-7850M-HH multiband handheld radio; Global Positioning System (GPS) receiver; Quicklook electronic counter-countermeasures (ECCM) waveform; spare parts, repair parts, publications and technical documentation; training; U.S. Government and contractor engineering; technical and logistics support services; and other related elements of logistics and program support.

(iv) Military Department: Army (LE-B-UAH).

(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: None.

(viii) Date Report Delivered to Congress: December 16, 2025.

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

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DEAR MR. SPEAKER: Pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act, as amended, we are forwarding herewith Transmittal No. 26-10, concerning the Navy's proposed Letter(s) of Offer and Acceptance to the Government of Japan for defense articles and services estimated to cost \$100.2 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.

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TRANSMITTAL NO. 26-10

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 Japan.

(ii) Total Estimated Value:  
Major Defense Equipment\* \$0.  
Other \$100.2 million.  
Total \$100.2 million.

(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: Follow-on technical support of Aegis class destroyers, to include Combat Systems Sea Qualification Trials (CSSQT); test and evaluation services; sustainment support and services; Aegis computer software updates; systems integration and testing, in-country and on-site engineering support; all necessary emergent engineering and technical support services; familiarization, operational support; system overhauls; system upgrades; on-the-job practical operations and maintenance; combat systems integration; development, testing, and installation of program patches; adaptation data and annual service agreements; fielding technical inquiries by the purchaser; operational integration and maintenance support; field service engineering; problem investigation; technical assistance; support solutions to technical problems arising from post-production; testing

capabilities; supporting U.S. Government contractors and technical engineers; and other related elements of logistics and program support.

(iv) Military Department: Navy (JA-P-QQU).

(v) Prior Related Cases, if any: JA-P-QCX; JA-P-QEZ; JA-P-QKW; JA-P-QPI.

(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: December 16, 2025.

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#### POLICY JUSTIFICATION

##### Japan—Aegis Class Destroyer Support

The Government of Japan has requested to buy follow-on technical support of Aegis class destroyers, including Combat Systems Sea Qualification Trials (CSSQT); test and evaluation services; sustainment support and services; Aegis computer software updates; systems integration and testing, in-country and on-site engineering support; all necessary emergent engineering and technical support services; familiarization, operational support; system overhauls; system upgrades; on-the-job practical operations and maintenance; combat systems integration; development, testing, and installation of program patches; adaptation data and annual service agreements; fielding technical inquiries by the purchaser; operational integration and maintenance support; field service engineering; problem investigation; technical assistance; support solutions to technical problems arising from post-production; testing capabilities; supporting U.S. Government contractors and technical engineers; and other related elements of logistics and program support. The estimated total cost is \$100.2 million.

This proposed sale will support the foreign policy goals and national security objectives of the United States by improving the security of a major ally that is a force for political stability and economic progress in the Indo-Pacific.

The proposed sale will improve Japan's capability to meet current and future threats by ensuring Japan Maritime Self Defense Force's (JMSDF) Aegis fleet remains ready to provide critical capabilities in the defense of Japan. Specifically, the requested CSSQT services will provide JMSDF with capability support that is vital to the effective and safe operations of the Aegis Combat Systems (ACS) suite. Japan continues to modernize its fleet to support Integrated Air and Missile Defense (IAMD) roles and special mission requirements. The JMSDF Aegis Fleet will fulfill Japan's mission goal of acquiring and maintaining their Aegis capable ships and will further enhance interoperability with the U.S. Navy, build upon a long-standing cooperative effort with the United States, and provide enhanced capability with a valued partner in a geographic region of critical importance to Japan and the U.S. Government. The Aegis destroyers in Japan's fleet afford greater flexibility and capability to counter regional threats and to enhance stability in the region. Japan currently operates Aegis ships, is proficient at using their evolving ballistic missile defense capability, and is effective at employing the AN/SQQ-89A(V)15J undersea warfare combat system for undersea surveillance and detection. Japan will have no difficulty absorbing these 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 Lockheed Martin Corporation, located in Moorestown, NJ. 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 Japan.

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

TRANSMITTAL NO. 26-10

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 Aegis Weapon System (AWS) is a multi-mission combat system providing Integrated Air and Missile Defense (IAMD) for surface ships. The follow-on technical support includes Combat System Ship Qualification Trials (CSSQT) test and evaluation (T&E) services, and software in support of AWS Baseline 9 with integrated Ballistic Missile Defense (BMD).

2. The CSSQT services for Japan's Aegis System Equipped Vessels (ASEV) are critical to ensuring that the Japan Maritime Self Defense Force's (JMSDF) Aegis destroyer fleet remains ready to provide critical capabilities in the defense of Japan. Specifically, the requested CSSQT services provide the JMSDF with capability support vital to the effective and safe operations of the Aegis Combat Systems (ACS) suite.

3. The Aegis CSSQT services facilitate Japan's MSDF's multi-mission Aegis destroyers' ability to meet readiness and operational requirements to include Ballistic Missile Defense, Air Defense Warfare (ADW), surface warfare (SUW), Naval Gun Fire Support (NGFS), AntiSubmarine Warfare (ASW), and electronic warfare (EW) missions. CSSQT includes in-port assessment of shipboard systems, Waterfront Integration Testing (WIT), CSSQT-specific training, and installation of telemetry and support equipment. It also includes at-sea support of the range, target launch/recovery, and boat and aircraft services at Oahu Operation Area and Pacific Missile Range Facility (PMRF) in Kauai, Hawaii.

4. The at-sea CSSQT events provide tracking and live-fire events of ADW, including IAMD, SUW, Undersea Warfare (USW), EW, and Command, Control, and Communications (CCC).

5. After completing CSSQT events, the USN will analyze data and deliver a final report to document system performance during CSSQT. ADW live fire events will use Standard Missile SM-2, SM-6, and Enhanced Sea Sparrow Missile (ESSM) from JMSDF inventory. SUW and ASW live fire events will use JMSDF inventory of gun ammunition and torpedoes.

6. The CSSQT Services do not provide specific technology to Japan. The test scenarios developed are based on the capabilities included in the ACS suite.

7. Japan currently operates eight Aegis destroyers with BMD capability. Japan signed a General Security of Military Information Agreement (GSOMIA), and continues to make progress in safeguarding information. Japan was the first foreign customer to purchase the AWS and is the only foreign customer with Aegis BMD capability. Japan has scrupulously complied with end use monitoring requirements and there is no evidence of physical tampering or compromise of hardware since Japan first purchased the AWS in the early 1990s. Japan currently operates, maintains, and supports the BMD capability in four Kongo class destroyers, two

Atago class destroyers, and two Maya class destroyers, demonstrating a high level of readiness and proficiency. Japan has completed CSSQTs on all previous Aegis equipped ships.

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

9. 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.

10. A determination has been made that Japan can provide substantially the same degree of protection for the sensitive technology being released by the U.S. Government. The sale is necessary in the furtherance of the U.S. foreign policy and national security objectives outlined in the Policy Justification.

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

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Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: 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. 26-0A. 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 18-10 of April 3, 2018.

Sincerely,  
MICHAEL F. MILLER,  
Director.

Enclosure.  
DEFENSE SECURITY  
COOPERATION AGENCY,  
Washington, DC.

Hon. JAMES E. RISCH,  
Chairman, Committee on Foreign Relations,  
U.S. Senate, Washington, DC.

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Enclosure.  
TRANSMITTAL NO. 26-0A  
Report of Enhancement or Upgrade of Sensitivity of Technology or Capability (Sec. 36(b)(5)(C), AECA)

(i) Prospective Purchaser: Government of Slovakia.

(ii) Sec. 36(b)(1), AECA Transmittal No.: 18-10; Date: April 3, 2018; Implementing Agency: Air Force.

Funding Source: National Funds.

(iii) Description: On April 3, 2018, Congress was notified by congressional certification transmittal number 18-10 of the possible sale, under Section 36(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act, of fourteen (14) F-16 Block 70/72 V configuration aircraft; up to sixteen (16) F-16 F110 General Electric or F100 Pratt & Whitney engines; fifteen (15) M61A1 Vulcan 20mm guns; sixteen (16) APG-83 active electronically scanned array (AESA) radars; fourteen (14) modular mission computers; fourteen (14) LINK-16 multifunctional information distribution system—joint tactical radio system (MIDS-JTRS) secure communication systems; sixteen (16) LN260 embedded global positioning system inertial navigation systems (EGI); fourteen (14) joint helmet mounted cueing systems; fourteen (14) improved programmable display generators (iPDGs); thirty (30) AIM-120C7 air-to-air missiles; one hundred (100) AIM-9X air-to-air missiles; twelve (12) ATM-9X captive air training missiles, two (2) AIM-120C7; twenty-four (24) AIM-9X additional guidance units; two hundred twenty-four (224) computer control groups and airfoil groups for GBU-12 Paveway II 500 lb guided bomb kits; twenty (20) enhanced computer control groups for enhanced Paveway II (GBU-49); one hundred fifty (150) KMU-572F/B guidance kits for joint direct attack munition (JDAM) 500 lb Guided Bomb (GBU-38); sixty (60) LAU-129 guided-missile launchers; thirty-six (36) MK-82 or BLU-111 500 lb inert fill bomb; four hundred (400) MK-82 or BLU-111 500 lb bomb bodies; four hundred (400) FMU-152 joint programmable fuzes; and six (6) AN/AAQ-33 sniper pods. Also included were fourteen (14) joint helmet mounted cueing system II; fourteen (14) AN/ALQ-213 electronic warfare management systems; sixteen (16) AN/ALQ-211 advanced integrated defensive electronic warfare suites; sixteen (16) AN/ALE-47 countermeasure dispensers; advanced identification friend or foe; secure communications and cryptographic appliques; joint mission planning system; ground training device (flight simulator); electronic combat inter-

national security assistance program support; software and support; facilities and construction support; spares and repair/replace parts; personnel training and training equipment; publications and technical documentation; missile containers; DSU-38A/B illuminated target detector (GBU-54); munition support and test equipment; aircraft and munition integration and test support; studies and surveys; U.S. government and contractor technical, engineering and logistical support services; and other related elements of logistics and program support. The estimated total cost was \$2.91 billion. Major Defense Equipment (MDE) constituted \$2.01 billion of this total.

On October 17, 2018, Congress was notified by congressional certification transmittal number 18-0H of the possible sale, under Section 36(b)(5)(C) of the Arms Export Control Act, of the addition of the following MDE items: two (2) F110 General Electric or F100 Pratt & Whitney engines; four (4) iPDG; four (4) modular mission computers; four (4) Link-16 MIDS-JTRS; ninety-six (96) MXU-650C/B airfoil groups; ninety-six (96) MAU-209C/B or MAU-169D computer control groups; twelve (12) guidance units for AIM-9X-2 tactical missiles; and twelve (12) guidance units for AIM-9X-2 captive air training missiles (CATM). The following non-MDE items were also included: thirty (30) CATM-120C; twelve (12) joint helmet mounted cueing systems II; and twenty (20) aviator night vision devices AN/AVS-9. The total cost of the new MDE items was \$30.6 million, and the total cost of the new non-MDE items was \$5.6 million. The total notified cost of MDE increased to \$2.04 billion. The total case value did not increase and remained \$2.91 billion.

This transmittal notifies the inclusion of the following additional MDE items: four (4) F-16D Block 70/72 V configuration aircraft without engines; five (5) F110 General Electric or F100 Pratt & Whitney engines (4 installed, 1 spare); five (5) improved programmable display generators (iPDG) (4 installed, 1 spare); twelve (12) AN/AAQ-33 Sniper pods; five (5) embedded global positioning system inertial navigation systems (4 installed, 1 spare); one (1) Small Diameter Bomb increment I (SDB-I) guided test vehicle; one hundred twenty (120) GBU-39 SDB-I; twenty (20) LAU-129 guided missile launchers (16 installed, 4 spares); five (5) M61A1 anti-aircraft guns (4 installed, 1 spare); five (5) APG-83 Active Electronically Scanned Array (AESA) radars (4 installed, 1 spare); five (5) 7000AH modular mission computers (4 installed, 1 spare); and five (5) Link-16 Multifunctional Information Distribution System—Joint Tactical Radio Systems. The following non-MDE items will also be included: AN/ALQ-254V(1) Viper Shield advanced electronic warfare suites, including lab assets (or equivalent); Infrared Search and Track (IRST) pods and processors; and other related elements of logistics and program support. The estimated total cost of the new items is \$990 million. The estimated MDE value will increase by \$609.4 million to a revised \$2.65 billion. The estimated non-MDE value will increase by \$380.6 million to a revised \$1.25 billion. The estimated total case value will increase by \$990 million to a revised \$3.90 billion.

(iv) Significance: This notification is being provided because the additional 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 Slovakia's capability to meet current and future threats by maintaining its F-16 fleet in combat-ready status and providing a credible deterrent to regional threats.