

Non-Major Defense Equipment:

The following non-MDE items will be included: aircraft and munitions support and support equipment; spare parts, consumables and accessories, and repair and return support; minor modifications and maintenance support; 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 (JO-D-QDA).

(v) Prior Related Cases, if any: JO-D-QBQ; JO-D-QDG.

(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: March 19, 2026.

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

POLICY JUSTIFICATION

Government of Jordan—Aircraft Repair, Return, and Spares

(U) The Government of Jordan has requested to buy aircraft and munitions support and support equipment; minor modifications and maintenance support; and other related elements of logistics and program support that will be added to a previously implemented case whose value was under the congressional notification threshold. The original Foreign Military Sales (FMS) case, valued at \$49.1 million (\$0 in major defense equipment), included spare parts, consumables and accessories, and repair and return support; 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 \$70.5 million.

(U) 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 is an important force for political stability and economic progress in the Middle East.

(U) The proposed sale will improve Jordan's capability to meet current and future threats by leveraging these spare parts and repairs to maintain the operational readiness of its F-16, C-130, and F-5 aircraft, ensuring its ability to effectively patrol its borders, respond to regional crises, and support CENTCOM's security objectives in the region. Sustaining these critical platforms allows Jordan to remain a reliable partner in countering terrorism and promoting regional stability, key components of both Jordanian national defense and broader CENTCOM priorities. Jordan will have no difficulty absorbing these articles and services into its armed forces.

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

(U) The principal contractor will be S&K Aerospace, LLC, located in Warner Robbins, GA. 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.

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

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

ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

REMEMBERING ALVERTA HARGIS

• Mr. SCHMITT. Mr. President, I rise today to honor the remarkable life and legacy of the late Alverta G. Harvey Hargis. Beginning her life in 1908, she had the opportunity to come of age during the closing days of the American pioneer era. Born in a covered wagon in Nebraska and spending the first few years of her life growing up in the type of iconic sod house that defined that era of our Nation's history, the challenges of growing up on the frontier provided her with valuable life lessons and helped equip her with a resilience that would guide her and her family through the hardships of the 20th century.

During the Second World War, Mrs. Hargis played a key role in protecting America's freedom by serving at defense plants in Detroit, MI, ensuring that our selfless servicemen were equipped to defend our great republic and liberate our brothers and sisters in Europe. In 2020, she was among the great American women awarded the Congressional Gold Medal for supporting our nation as Rosie the Riveters by Congress and President Trump. At this year's Cherry Blossom Festival, Representative ALFORD will be posthumously presenting her with this honor. After the war, her extraordinary talent for quilting and baking became so iconic in southwest Missouri that, to this day, the Grand Champion Apple Pie Prize at the annual Apple Festival in Seymour, MO, is named in her honor, and each year, a fundraiser honoring her legacy is held during the Missouri Cherry Blossom Festival.

Throughout her life, Mrs. Hargis remained a committed woman of God and devoted herself to her family, raising 6 children and becoming the proud grandmother to over 80 grandchildren and great-grandchildren. As the United States reaches its 250th anniversary, Mrs. Alverta Hargis' remarkable life serves as a perfect example of the spirit of committed service, sacrifice, and faith that have made our country great. I am proud to join her family and Representative ALFORD in recognizing her remarkable life and legacy and am happy that she called the Show-Me State home.●

TRIBUTE TO DEANNA CHATMAN

• Mr. SCHMITT. Mr. President, I rise today to honor the lifesaving work of Deanna Chatman, who serves as a postal carrier in St. Louis. Following the late November snow in 2025, the U.S. Postal Service determined that St. Louis carriers did not have to drive if road conditions were unsafe. Despite this, Ms. Chatman felt drawn to go to work as normal. Partway through her shift, Ms. Chatman encountered a senior citizen who had fallen and was trapped outside in the snow for 3 hours. Upon discovering the urgency of her

situation, Ms. Chatman quickly called 911 and waited with the lady until first responders arrived, then completed the remainder of her delivery route as normal. Thanks to Ms. Chatman's choice to trust her instincts and act with purpose, the senior citizen was rescued and was released from the hospital in just a few days, and her family credits Deanna for her survival.

Ms. Deanna Chatman is truly a Champion of Missouri. She is a perfect example of what a civil servant can and should be, going above and beyond to help others. While she delivered mail on her usual route, she also delivered hope to a Missouri family. I am sincerely grateful for her dedication, not only to her work, but her extraordinary devotion to our fellow Missourians.●

TRIBUTE TO DARCI CURTIS

• Mr. SCHMITT. Mr. President, I rise today to recognize Ms. Darci Curtis, a heroic pharmacy technician with the 509th Medical Group. After leaving work one day in July of 2025, Ms. Curtis witnessed a hit-and-run auto accident resulting in one of the vehicles going airborne and quickly pulled over to check on those in the damaged car. She called for an ambulance, but before first responders arrived, the vehicle's engine began smoking and threatened to catch fire. Suspecting a gas leak due to previous experience, Darci and one of her coworkers helped the injured passenger escape from the damaged car and communicated with the passenger's family until the paramedics arrived. Thanks to her quick thinking and ability to act with purpose, the victim was able to make it to the hospital and survive a terrible accident.

Ms. Darci Curtis is truly a Champion of Missouri, as much for her heroic actions last July as for her dedicated service to the troops and military families at Whiteman Air Force Base. Her devotion to protecting our fellow Missourians is nothing short of remarkable. She truly embodies the spirit of service that makes our nation truly special.●

TRIBUTE TO KURT JORDAN

• Mr. SCHMITT. Mr. President, I rise today to recognize the work of Kurt Jordan, who has found a unique way to volunteer his time and serve the great State of Missouri. After retiring as vice president of sales for Sherwin-Williams, Mr. Jordan and his father learned of the dilapidated conditions at Greenwood Cemetery north of St. Joseph and felt called to act. Over the last 7 years, Mr. Jordan has restored hundreds of gravestones across the Show-Me State, contributing both his personal time and money to restore multiple rundown cemeteries, with projects ranging from cleaning and restoring fractured headstones to developing a modern QR code system to help interested visitors learn more about

those buried at Greenwich Cemetery free of charge.

Outside of the graveyard, Kurt has proven himself to be an outstanding community leader, helping educate others on historic preservation, volunteering his experience with multiple boards over the years, including the Missouri Board of Preservation and Elmwood Cemetery Society. He currently serves on the Missouri Western State University Board of Directors.

Mr. Jordan has truly found a unique way to serve families in our great State and help preserve the legacies of our ancestors, and his dedication is truly inspiring. I am deeply grateful for his meaningful work and am happy to recognize him as a Champion of Missouri.●

TRIBUTE TO ANISTON KENNEDY

● Mr. SCHMITT. Mr. President, I rise today to commend the selfless work of Aniston Kennedy of Excelsior Springs, MO. Over the last few years, Ms. Kennedy has shown herself to be one of the Show-Me State's animal rescue champions. Since 2023, her volunteer efforts have helped spay and neuter over 40 animals and helped at least 35 find their forever homes. Her passion for helping animals goes beyond common pets, as she has helped rehome and rehabilitate creatures as diverse as bearded dragons and even roosters.

Her impact goes beyond the animals she directly cares for. Her work to humanely manage stray animal colonies has already inspired additional community efforts across Excelsior Springs and has the potential to be modeled across the State as a humane way to effectively manage the State's animal populations. I wish Ms. Kennedy the best as she pursues her career in animal welfare. Her commitment to caring for our furry and feathered friends is nothing short of remarkable, and she has more than proven herself to be a Champion of Missouri.●

TRIBUTE TO JADA McMILLAN

● Mr. SCHMITT. Mr. President, I rise today to recognize SrA Jada McMillan, an outstanding medic with the 509th Medical Group at Whiteman Air Force Base. After leaving work one day in July of 2025, Senior Airman McMillan witnessed a hit-and-run auto accident resulting in one of the vehicles becoming airborne. After quickly pulling over to check on the passengers alongside one of her coworkers, Jada drew upon her experience in the medical field to remain calm and help the injured passenger escape from the soon-burning vehicle, choosing to stay with the passenger until first responders could arrive. Thanks to her ability to remain calm and focused, the victim survived and was able to receive the necessary medical care.

SrA Jada McMillan has truly proven herself a Champion of Missouri, both in her dedicated service to our Nation in

the U.S. Air Force and for her decisive action last July. Her outstanding devotion to protecting others is truly remarkable, and she has more than shown that she embodies the spirit of service that makes our Nation truly special. I am proud to represent such an outstanding individual in the U.S. Senate and wish her all the best as she continues serving in our Armed Forces.●

TRIBUTE TO MIKE RANKIN

● Mr. SCHMITT. Mr. President, I rise today to commemorate the remarkable career of Deputy Mike Rankin. For over 50 years, Deputy Rankin has gone above and beyond in serving the people of Missouri as a member of the Buchanan County Sheriff's Office. As a volunteer and commander in the reserve division, he has more than proven his dedication to protecting our fellow Missourians over his impressive career and continues to serve his community admirably. His selfless choice to dedicate countless hours shielding others from danger is nothing short of remarkable and exemplifies the very best of Missouri law enforcement.

Deputy Mike Rankin's dedication is truly inspiring and demonstrates an unparalleled and enduring commitment to the spirit of service. I am sincerely grateful for his decades of volunteering as a first responder and am proud to recognize him today as a Champion of Missouri.●

MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Messages from the President of the United States were communicated to the Senate by Ms. Holstead, one of his secretaries.

EXECUTIVE MESSAGES REFERRED

As in executive session the Presiding Officer laid before the Senate messages from the President of the United States submitting sundry nominations which were referred to the appropriate committees.

(The messages received today are printed at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

At 12:04 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Alli, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bill, without amendment:

S. 4138. An act to waive the 60-day notice requirement for the posthumous honorary promotion of Captain Cody Khork, United States Army.

ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

At 1:32 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Alli, one of its reading clerks, announced that the Speaker Pro Tempore (Mr. ADRIAN SMITH) has signed the following enrolled bill:

S. 4138. An act to waive the 60-day notice requirement for the posthumous honorary promotion of Captain Cody Khork, United States Army.

The enrolled bill was subsequently signed by the President pro tempore (Mr. GRASSLEY).

At 2 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Alli, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 556. An act to prohibit the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture from prohibiting the use of lead ammunition or tackle on certain Federal land or water under the jurisdiction of the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture, and for other purposes.

H.R. 1958. An act to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to clarify that aliens who have been convicted of defrauding the United States Government or the unlawful receipt of public benefits are inadmissible and deportable.

H.R. 4638. An act to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to provide that an alien who has been convicted of harming animals used in law enforcement is inadmissible and deportable, and for other purposes.

The message further announced that pursuant to section 3(b) of the Public Safety Officer Medal of Valor Act of 2001 (42 U.S.C. 15202), and the order of the House of January 3, 2025, the Speaker appoints the following individuals on the part of the House of Representatives to the Medal of Valor Review Board for a term of 4 years: Mr. Jayson Richardson of Gloster, Louisiana and Mr. Brandon Clabes of Choctaw, Oklahoma.

MEASURES REFERRED

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

H.R. 556. An act to prohibit the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture from prohibiting the use of lead ammunition or tackle on certain Federal land or water under the jurisdiction of the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

H.R. 1958. An act to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to clarify that aliens who have been convicted of defrauding the United States Government or the unlawful receipt of public benefits are inadmissible and deportable; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H.R. 4638. An act to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to provide that an alien who has been convicted of harming animals used in law enforcement is inadmissible and deportable, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

MEASURES DISCHARGED
PETITIONS

We, the undersigned Senators, in accordance with chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, hereby direct that the Senate Committee on Finance be discharged of further consideration of S.J. Res. 107, a joint resolution providing for congressional disapproval of the rule submitted by the Internal Revenue Service relating to "Beginning of Construction Requirements for Purposes of the