

Just a few weeks later, Donald Trump plunged us into the longest government shutdown in the country's history. That put hazardous fuel treatment on hold and set treatment levels back even more.

Now, last week, I got another letter from the Chief confirming the current treatment levels remain significantly behind their levels at the end of 2024.

So the administration wants to call this a win, saying they almost met their treatment goals. Here is some breaking news for Donald Trump: It is easy to do a victory lap about your achievements when you set the bar on the floor.

So here is the current lay of the land: Hazardous fuel treatment levels are down millions of acres. The Forest Service is still down 1,400 firefighters and countless other employees. Budget cuts have yet to be restored. Oregon and the rest of the West have massive fuels buildup in our forests and no water.

So what are Donald Trump and his assistants doing? It sure isn't staffing up the Forest Service with qualified firefighters.

It is not making sure States have enough money to prepare for the blazes to come.

It is not keeping up our forests to reduce fire risks.

It sure as hell isn't funding FEMA, the Agency that plays a critical role in helping our communities recover from wildfires and remains mostly shut down under the failed leadership of Donald Trump. In fact, Donald Trump has so slashed staffing at FEMA, cutting the Agency's ability to respond to emergencies, that we are concerned about the days ahead after watching what happened with the floods in Texas Hill Country last summer.

Donald Trump is play-acting as a dictator, starting illegal wars in the Middle East. And now he wants Congress to give him \$200 billion so that he can keep bombing Iran.

I am going to wrap up by saying it this way: Let's use that \$200 billion here at home. Let's use it to manage the forests.

You should know that the picture that I have painted of my State also looks like it is going to affect something like two-thirds of the West, and I know my colleague is interested in following that.

We should be reducing the risk of fires that burn down homes and livelihoods. Let's use the money that Donald Trump wants to put into the war to hire and pay the courageous firefighters that put their lives on the line every year, lives that we always care about, especially because they are protecting our communities.

True to form, Donald Trump always finds a way to make things worse. Just last week, in the midst of the brewing catastrophe I have described, Donald Trump announced he is going to dismantle the U.S. Forest Service. At my 11 townhall meetings across the State

here over the break, I heard about this recently.

The Agency is the one that is in charge of preparing for and fighting wildfires, and Donald Trump is doing away with existing experts and authorities from the region to, no doubt, be replaced with people who will do his own bidding.

So Donald Trump defunded 57 research stations dedicated to researching the impact of drought and forest management on wildfire risk. The administration called it a harmless reorganization.

Anybody with a pulse can see this for what it really is: an intentional stunt to kneecap firefighting capabilities and leave Oregonians literally in the line of fire.

Come summertime when these blazes are strong, the Forest Service will be in complete upheaval, too busy rearranging offices and desk chairs to fight fires. I guess that is what Donald Trump intended in the first place.

This is like needing open-heart surgery, and a few weeks before your operation, learning that the hospital has replaced your heart surgeon with Hannibal Lecter.

It is another casualty of the Trump crusade to sell off our forests and public lands to billionaires and corporations.

The bottom line, Mr. President—and you and I have talked about this—public lands are just that, they are public. Once you sell them off, you can't get them back.

Donald Trump doesn't care as long as his billionaire buddies and the Epstein class get to build their own personal resorts.

I will close with this. Donald Trump campaigned on cheaper eggs and lower gas prices. Instead, aided and abetted by Republicans in the Congress, he is doing everything to drive up costs and, as I am pointing out with respect to the West, making Americans less safe. Winners under the Trump Presidency are the people at the very top, the corporations and the Epstein class. He sure as hell isn't looking out for the working people who feel like they are getting pushed off an economic tight-rope.

When our communities are ablaze this summer, there is going to be no time to waste, no time to wait for the training of new firefighters because Donald Trump fired everybody who was qualified, no time to do fire risk reduction work. Donald Trump has set Western States up for failure this fire season, and I very, very much fear the outcome in the West will be catastrophic.

I yield the floor.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The majority whip.

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

MORNING BUSINESS

Mr. BARRASSO. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate

proceed to 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.

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 notification 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:

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE,
Washington, DC.

CONGRESSIONAL NOTIFICATION TRANSMITTAL
LETTER

Please find enclosed the following notification from the Department of State.

Department Notification Number: RSAT 26-0E.

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. 26-0E. 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 14-16 of June 16, 2014.

Recipients:

Speaker of the House of Representatives
House Committee on Foreign Affairs
Senate Committee on Foreign Relations

Sincerely,

PAUL D. GUAGLIANONE,
Senior Bureau Official,
Bureau of Legislative Affairs.

TRANSMITTAL NO. 26-0E

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

(i) (U) Prospective Purchaser: Government of Singapore.

(ii) (U) Sec. 36(b)(1), AECA Transmittal No.: 14-16; Date: June 16, 2014; Implementing Agency: Air Force.

Funding Source: National Funds.

(iii) (U) Description: On June 16, 2014, Congress was notified by congressional certification transmittal number 14-16 of the possible sale, under Section 36(b)(1) of the AECA, of follow-on support and services for Singapore's Continental United States (CONUS) detachment PEACE CARVIN II (F-16) based at Luke Air Force Base (AFB) for a five-year period. MDE consisted of 80 CATM-9M Captive Air Training Missiles (This item was incorrectly listed as MDE and this was changed in future documents). Also included: jet fuel, containers, publications and technical documentation; tactics manuals and academic instruction; maintenance;

clothing and individual equipment; execution and support of CONUS exercise deployments; airlift and aerial refueling; support equipment; spare and repair parts; repair and return; personnel training and training equipment; U.S. Government and contractor technical and logistics support services; and other related elements of logistical and program support. The total estimated value was \$251 million. Major Defense Equipment (MDE) constituted \$3 million of this total.

On February 11, 2020, Congress was notified by Congressional certification transmittal number 20-0D of the possible sale, under Section 36(b)(5)(C) of the Arms Export Control Act of the extension of the PEACE CARVIN II detachment at Luke Air Force Base for an additional three and a half years (3.5 years). It included the following non-MDE items: eight (8) CATM-9M Captive Air Training Missiles; jet fuel; containers; publications and technical documentation; tactics manuals and academic instruction; maintenance; clothing and individual equipment; execution and support of CONUS exercise deployments; airlift and aerial refueling; support equipment; spare and repair parts; repair and return; personnel training and training equipment; U.S. Government and contractor technical and logistics support services; and other related elements of logistical and program support. The estimated additional non-MDE value was \$200 million, which increased the total program value to \$451 million. MDE remained \$3 million of this total.

On April 26, 2024, Congress was notified by congressional certification transmittal number 24-0D of the possible sale, under Section 36(b)(5)(C), of the Arms Export Control Act of the addition of the following MDE items: six hundred forty-four (644) MK-82 Inert 500-pound bombs (included 210 new, 434 inadvertently provided as non-MDE); eighty-four (84) MK-82 500-pound general purpose (GP) bombs for the Guided Bomb Unit (GBU) GBU-38 Joint Direct Attack Munition (JDAM), GBU-54 Laser JDAM (LJDAM) and GBU-12 Paveway II (PWII); forty (40) KMU-556 tail kits for the GBU-31 JDAM and GBU-56 LJDAM; forty (40) KMU-572 tail kits for the GBU-38 JDAM and GBU-54 LJDAM; forty (40) MAU-169 computer control groups for the GBU-10 and GBU-12 PWII; twenty (20) MXU-651 Air Foil Groups (AFG) for the GBU-10 PWII; twenty (20) MXU-650 AFGs for the GBU-12 PWII; eighty-four (84) MK-84 2,000-pound GP bombs for the GBU-31 JDAM, GBU-56 LJDAM, and GBU-10 PWII; ten (10) GBU-39 Small Diameter Bombs-Increment I (SDB-I); ten (10) GBU-39 (T-1) inert practice bombs; and forty (40) FMU-152 fuzes. Also included were testing and training munitions, ammunition, and munitions support and support equipment; DSU-38 and DSU-40 laser guidance sets for LJDAM; GBU-39 Tactical Training Rounds; telemetry kits; additional training munitions, ammunition, impulse cartridges, chaff, and flares; communications security devices; studies and analyses; transportation and relocation support; and facilities and construction support, including facility and infrastructure assessments and surveys, design services, planning, programming, design, acquisition, contract administration, facility management, and other engineering services and technical support. The estimated total value of the additional items and services was \$249 million. The estimated MDE value increased by \$9 million to a revised \$12 million. The estimated non-MDE value increased by \$237 million to a revised \$688 million. The estimated total case value was increased to \$700 million. MDE constituted \$12 million of this total.

This transmittal notifies the inclusion of the following additional MDE items: eighteen (18) MK-82 500-lb GP bombs; thirty-two (32) MK-84 2,000-lb GP bombs; thirty-six (36)

KMU-556 JDAM tail kits; sixty (60) KMU-572 JDAM tail kits; thirty (30) MXU-650 AFGs; thirty (30) MAU-169 computer control groups; and sixty (60) FMU-152 fuzes systems. The following non-MDE items will also be included: practice bombs; KGV-135A encryption devices; FMU-139 fuzes; component parts and support equipment; and other related elements of program and logistics support. The estimated total value of the new items is \$232 million. The estimated MDE value will increase by \$5 million to a revised \$17 million. The estimated non-MDE value will increase by \$227 million to a revised \$915 million. The estimated total case value will increase by \$232 million to a revised \$932 million. MDE constitutes \$17 million of this total.

(iv) (U) Significance: This notification is being provided because 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 continue to improve Singapore's ability to develop mission-ready and experienced pilots to support its F-16 aircraft inventory.

(v) (U) Justification: This proposed sale will enhance the foreign policy and national security objectives of the United States by improving the security of a strategic partner that is an important force for political stability and economic progress in Asia.

(vi) (U) Sensitivity of Technology: The KGV-135 A communications security device is a high-speed general purpose encryptor and decryptor module used for wideband data encryption.

The Sensitivity of Technology Statement contained in the original notification applies to additional items reported here.

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

(vii) (U) Date Report Delivered to Congress: April 1, 2026.

ARMS SALES NOTIFICATION

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There being no objection, the material was ordered to be printed in the RECORD, as follows:

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE,
Washington, DC.

CONGRESSIONAL NOTIFICATION TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Please find enclosed the following notification from the Department of State.

Department Notification Number: RSAT 26-24

Pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control

Act, as amended, we are forwarding herewith Transmittal No. 26-24, concerning the Army's proposed Letter(s) of Offer and Acceptance to the Government of Singapore for defense articles and services estimated to cost \$83.14 million. We will issue a news release to notify the public of this proposed sale upon delivery of this letter to your office.

Recipients:
Speaker of the House of Representatives
House Committee on Foreign Affairs
Senate Committee on Foreign Relations

Sincerely,
PAUL D. GUAGLIANONE,
Senior Bureau Official,
Bureau of Legislative Affairs.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE TRANSMITTAL NO. RSAT 26-24

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

(i) (U) Prospective Purchaser: Government of Singapore.

(ii) (U) Total Estimated Value:
Major Defense Equipment* \$82.50 million.
Other \$0.64 million.
Total \$83.14 million.

Funding Source: National Funds.

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

Major Defense Equipment (MDE):
Forty-five (45) M30A2 guided multiple launch rocket system-alternative warhead pods.

Non-MDE:
The following non-MDE items will also be included: telemetry kits; engineering services; technical assistance; and other related elements of logistics and program support.

(iv) (U) Military Department: Army (SN-B-VI).

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

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

(vii) (U) Sensitivity of Technology Contained in the Defense Article or Defense Services Proposed to be Sold: See Attached Annex.

(viii) (U) Date Report Delivered to Congress: April 1, 2026.

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

POLICY JUSTIFICATION

(U) Singapore—Guided Multiple Launch Rocket System—Alternative Warhead

(U) The Government of Singapore has requested to buy forty-five (45) M30A2 guided multiple launch rocket system-alternative warhead pods. The following non-major defense equipment items will also be included: telemetry kits; engineering services; technical assistance; and other related elements of logistics and program support. The estimated total cost is \$83.14 million.

(U) This proposed sale will enhance the foreign policy and national security objectives of the United States by improving the security of a strategic partner that is an important force for political stability and economic progress in Asia.

(U) The proposed sale will improve Singapore's defensive capability to shield the allies who train and operate within their borders, improve its ability to meet current and future threats, and increase regional stability. Singapore 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 Lockheed Martin, located in Bethesda, MD. At