

(B) urgent, which means a pressing and compelling need requiring immediate action;

(C) unforeseen, which means not predicted or anticipated as an emerging need; and

(D) temporary, which means not of a permanent duration.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The minority leader.

#### RECONCILIATION

Mr. SCHUMER. Mr. President, tonight, Senate Republicans showed the American people where they stand, not for families struggling with the high cost of childcare, groceries, gasoline, electricity but for pumping \$140 billion toward rogue Agencies.

All night long, we gave the Republicans a chance to do the right thing by voting for our amendments. We gave Republicans a chance to vote for an amendment to lower out-of-pocket healthcare costs.

They said: No.

We gave Republicans a chance to lower childcare costs.

They said: No.

We gave Republicans a chance to stop insurance company delays, to protect school meals, to give people a hand at the grocery store.

And Republicans said: No, no, and no, again.

What kind of bubble are they living in? How apart are they from people's real needs? And, instead, take that money, which should have gone to lowering people's costs, and give it to an Agency that everyone knows needs reform.

Republicans can rest assured that when reconciliation comes back up in a few weeks, they are going to have to face these votes again. Democrats will make sure that they do. We will continue to force vote after vote on the most pressing issue facing Americans today: their high, high, all-too-high costs.

Democrats are going to hold Republicans' feet to the fire because the American people demand it. The American people are hurting right now because of the soaring cost of living, and that is why it is so important that Democrats continue to force Republicans to take these votes and go on record about their disastrous agenda.

I yield the floor.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The majority leader.

#### TRIBUTE TO TONY HANAGAN

Mr. THUNE. Mr. President, before we leave and finish this evening, I would like to take a moment to recognize a departing member of the Republican cloakroom staff Tony Hanagan. He is leaving this Friday after 12 years in the cloakroom and his 12th vote-arama.

Tony, I know a lot of those occurred here in the last 15 months, and I am hoping we didn't push you out the door by forcing you to go through another one. But, seriously, it is hard for me to think of the Republican cloakroom without Tony.

When you become leader, you realize all over again just how indispensable

our cloakroom staff are. The command of Senate procedure and the institutional knowledge they bring is as essential to passing legislation as is the votes of our Members.

Since I became leader, I have relied on Tony's expertise on a daily basis, whether we are adopting a UC or I am delivering the wrapup. Tony isn't just smart and knowledgeable; he is also invariably positive, hard-working, and deeply committed to the team—our team here in the Senate—and the sports teams at his beloved Gonzaga College High School here in Washington, DC.

Tony, you have played an indispensable role in the victories we have won for the American people, and I am very grateful for the 12 years you have dedicated to the cloakroom and to this institution. I want to wish you the very best of everything in your future ventures. Wherever you go, I am confident you will excel.

#### MOTION TO RECONSIDER

Mr. THUNE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the motion to reconsider be considered made and laid upon the table.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

### EXECUTIVE SESSION

#### EXECUTIVE CALENDAR

Mr. THUNE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to executive session and consider the following nominations en bloc: all nominations on the Secretary's desk in the Foreign Service; that the nominations be confirmed en bloc; that the motions to reconsider be considered made and laid upon the table with no intervening action and debate, all en bloc; that no further motions be in order to any of the nominations; that the President be immediately notified of the Senate's action and the Senate then resume legislative session.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The nominations considered and confirmed are as follows:

#### NOMINATIONS PLACED ON THE SECRETARY'S DESK

##### IN THE FOREIGN SERVICE

\* PN893 FOREIGN SERVICE nominations (3) beginning Edgard Daniel Kagan, and ending Dean Thompson, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of March 25, 2026.

\* PN894 FOREIGN SERVICE nominations (58) beginning Nancy E. Abella, and ending Janine S. Young, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of March 25, 2026.

\* PN895 FOREIGN SERVICE nominations (103) beginning Ernest J. Abisellan, and ending Paul V. Zimmer, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of March 25, 2026.

#### LEGISLATIVE SESSION

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senate will now resume legislative session.

### EXECUTIVE SESSION

#### EXECUTIVE CALENDAR

Mr. THUNE. Mr. President, I move to proceed to executive session to consider Calendar No. 670.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The question is on agreeing to the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the nomination.

The legislative clerk read the nomination of Robert Cekada, of Florida, to be Director, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives.

#### CLOTURE MOTION

Mr. THUNE. Mr. President, I send a cloture motion to the desk.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The cloture motion having been presented under rule XXII, the Chair directs the clerk to read the motion.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

#### CLOTURE MOTION

We, the undersigned Senators, in accordance with the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, do hereby move to bring to a close debate on the nomination of Executive Calendar No. 670, Robert Cekada, of Florida, to be Director, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives.

John Thune, Tom Cotton, Tim Sheehy, John Barrasso, Jon A. Husted, Tommy Tuberville, Jim Justice, Cindy Hyde-Smith, Roger F. Wicker, Mike Rounds, Steve Daines, Marsha Blackburn, David McCormick, John Cornyn, Thom Tillis, James Lankford, John R. Curtis.

#### LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Mr. THUNE. Mr. President, I move to proceed to legislative session.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The question is on agreeing to the motion. The motion was agreed to.

#### EXTENDING SECTION 702 OF THE FOREIGN INTELLIGENCE SURVEILLANCE ACT OF 1978 FOR 3 YEARS—Motion to Proceed

Mr. THUNE. I move to proceed to Calendar No. 373, S. 4344.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report.

The senior assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

Motion to proceed to Calendar No. 373, S. 4344, a bill to extend section 702 of the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act of 1978 for 3 years.

#### CLOTURE MOTION

Mr. THUNE. Mr. President, I send a cloture motion to the desk.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The cloture motion having been presented under rule XXII, the Chair directs the clerk to read the motion.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

#### CLOTURE MOTION

We, the undersigned Senators, in accordance with the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, do hereby move to bring to a close debate on the motion to proceed to Calendar No. 373, S. 4344, a bill to extend section 702 of the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act of 1978 for 3 years.

John Thune, Tom Cotton, Tim Sheehy, John Cornyn, Pete Ricketts, Roger F. Wicker, Thom Tillis, Ted Budd, Jon A. Husted, John Barrasso, John R. Curtis, Mike Rounds, Mike Crapo, Bernie Moreno, Lindsey Graham, Steve Daines, James Lankford.

MORNING BUSINESS

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:

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE,  
Washington, DC.  
CONGRESSIONAL NOTIFICATION TRANSMITTAL  
LETTER

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

Department Notification Number: RSAT 26-01.

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. 26.01. 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 25-40 of August 8, 2025.

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. 26-01

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

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

(ii) (U) Sec. 36(b)(1), AECA Transmittal No.: 25-40; Date: August 8, 2025; Implementing Agency: Army; Funding Source: National Funds.

(iii) (U) Description: On August 8, 2025, Congress was notified by congressional certification transmittal number 25-40 of the possible sale, under Section 36(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act, of forty-two (42) M1278A2 joint light tactical vehicles (JLTVs), heavy guns carrier (HGC); eighteen (18) M1279A2 JLTVs, utility truck; and nine (9) M1289 JLTV cargo trailers. The following non-MDE items were also included: M153

common remotely operated weapon stations (CROWS); Protector RS4 remote weapon system (RWS); mounted assured position, navigation, and timing (PNT) system; TRX Dismounted PNT System (DAPS); Type 1 radio systems, including Tactical Network Rover 2e (TNR2e), AN/PRC-148F, AN/PRC-163, and AN/PRC-167; system unique integration; objective gunner protection kits; driver's vision enhancement; spare and repair parts; special tools and test equipment; technical manuals and publications; maintenance trainers; new equipment training; total package fielding support; depot level maintenance/repair and return support; U.S. Government and contractor technical, engineering, and logistics personnel services; and other related elements of logistics and program support. The estimated total program value was \$160 million. Major defense equipment (MDE) constituted \$30 million of this total.

This transmittal notifies an increase in value, due to recent cost increases. There are no additional MDE or non-MDE items being reported with this notification. The estimated total value will increase by \$35 million. The estimated non-MDE value will increase by \$35 million to a revised \$165 million. The estimated total case value will increase to a revised \$195 million. MDE remains \$30 million of this total.

(iv) (U) Significance: Recent cost increases have brought about the need to add value to the previous notification. The proposed sale will improve Canada's credible defense capability to deter aggression in the region, ensure interoperability with U.S. forces, and strengthen Canada's ability to contribute to shared continental defense.

(v) (U) Justification: This proposed sale will support the foreign policy and national security objectives of the United States by helping to improve the military capability of a NATO Ally that is an important force for ensuring political stability and economic progress and is a contributor to military, peacekeeping, and humanitarian operations around the world.

(vi) (U) Sensitivity of Technology: The Sensitivity of Technology Statement contained in the original notification applies to 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 20, 2026.

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:

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE,  
Washington, DC.  
CONGRESSIONAL NOTIFICATION TRANSMITTAL  
LETTER

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

Department Notification Number: RSAT 26-0L

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. 26-0L. 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 22-53 of July 28, 2022.

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. 26-0L

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

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

(ii) (U) Sec. 36(b)(1), AECA Transmittal No.: 22-53; Date: July 28, 2022; Implementing Agency: Air Force.

(iii) (U) Description: On July 28, 2022, Congress was notified by congressional certification transmittal number 22-53 of the possible sale under Section 36(b)(1) of thirty-five (35) F-35 Joint Strike Fighter Conventional Take Off and Landing (CTOL) aircraft; thirty-seven (37) Pratt & Whitney F135-PW-100 engines (35 installed, 2 spares); one hundred five (105) AIM-120C-8 Advanced Medium Range Air-to-Air Missiles (AMRAAM); four (4) AIM-120C-8 AMRAAM Guidance Sections; seventy-five (75) AGM-158B/B2 Joint Air-to-Surface Standoff Missiles-Extended Range (JASSM-ER); two (2) AGM-158 Inert JASSMs with Test Instrumentation Kits (TIK); two (2) AGM-158 JASSM Separation Test Vehicles (STV); three hundred forty-four (344) GBU-53 Small Diameter Bombs (SDB-II); three (3) GBU-53 SDB-II Guided Test Vehicles (GTV); eight (8) GBU-53 SDB-II Captive Carry Reliability Trainers (CCRT); one hundred sixty-two (162) BLU-109 2000LB Hardened Penetrator Bombs for GBU-31; two hundred sixty-four (264) MK-82 500LB General Purpose (GP) Bombs for GBU-54; six (6) MK-82 Inert Filled GP Bombs; thirty (30) BLU-109 Inert 2000LB Hardened Penetrator Bombs; one hundred eighty (180) KMU-57 Joint Direct-Attack Munition (JDAM) Tail Kits for GBU-31; two hundred forty-six (246) KMU-572 JDAM Tail Kits for GBU-54; seventy-five (75) AIM-9X Block II+ Tactical Sidewinder Missiles; thirty (30) AIM-9X Block II Sidewinder Captive Air Training Missiles (CATM); fifteen (15) Tactical AIM-9X Block II+ Sidewinder Guidance Control Units; and five (5) AIM-9X Block II Sidewinder CATM Guidance Units. Also included were AIM-120 control sections, propulsion sections, telemetry systems, warheads, and containers; AIM-120 CATMs; AIM-9 Active Optical Target Detectors and containers; FMU-139 joint programmable fuzes; DSU-38 Laser-Illuminated Target Detectors for GBU-54; AN/PYQ-10 Simple Key Loaders; Common Munitions Built-in-Test Reprogramming Equipment (CMBRE) and ADU-891/E Adapter Group Computer Test Sets; KGV-135A embedded secure communications devices; Cartridge Actuated Devices/Propellant Actuated Devices (CAD/PAD); impulse cartridges, chaff, and flares; Full Mission Simulators and system trainers; training missiles and components; electronic warfare systems and Reprogramming