

b. The General Atomics AN/APY-8 Synthetic Aperture Radar/Ground Moving Target Indicator (SAR/GMTI) system provides all-weather surveillance, tracking and targeting for military and commercial customers from manned and unmanned vehicles. The AN/APY-8 operates in the Ku band, using an offset-fed dish antenna mounted on a three-axis stabilized gimbal. It has a large field of regard: 5-60 degrees in depression, \pm (45-135) degrees in squint in SAR mode, and \pm (0-175) degrees in squint in GMTI mode. The AN/APY-8 has 0.3 to 3 meter resolution in stripmap mode and can image up to a 10-km wide swath (at 3 meter resolution). Swaths from multiple passes are combined for wide-area surveillance. The AN/APY-8 SAR/GMTI radar system and technical data/documents are Unclassified.

c. The Raytheon Multi-Spectral Targeting System (MTS-B) is a multi-use infrared (IR), electro-optical (EO), and laser detecting ranging-tracking set, developed and produced for use by the U. S. Air Force in Predator B. This advanced EO and IR system provides long-range surveillance, high altitude, target acquisition, tracking, range finding, and laser designation for the HELLFIRE missile and for all tri-service and NATO laser-guided munitions.

2. If a technologically advanced adversary were to obtain knowledge of the specific hardware and software elements, the information could be used to develop countermeasures which might reduce weapon system effectiveness or be used in the development of a system with similar or advanced capabilities.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

[Transmittal No. 06-65]

36(b)(1) Arms Sales Notification

AGENCY: Department of Defense, Defense Security Cooperation Agency.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of Defense is publishing the unclassified text of a section 36(b)(1) arms sales notification. This is published to fulfill the requirements of section 155 of Public Law 104-164 dated 21 July 1996.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. J. Hurd, DSCA/DBO/CFM, (703) 604-6575.

The following is a copy of a letter to the Speaker of the House of Representatives, Transmittal 06-65 with attached transmittal and policy justification. Sensitivity of Technology, and Section 484 of the FAA.

Dated: September 28, 2006.

C.R. Choate,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEFENSE SECURITY COOPERATION AGENCY

WASHINGTON, DC 20301-2800

In reply refer to:
I-06/010955

The Honorable J. Dennis Hastert
Speaker of the House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515-6501

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. 06-65, concerning the Department of the Army's proposed Letter(s) of Offer and Acceptance to Colombia for defense articles and services estimated to cost \$303 million. After this letter is delivered to your office, we plan to issue a press statement to notify the public of this proposed sale.

You will also find attached a determination as required by Section 484(a)(2) of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, as amended.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Richard J. Millies".

Richard J. Millies
Deputy Director

Enclosures:

1. Transmittal
2. Policy Justification
3. Sensitivity of Technology
4. Section 484(a)(2)

Same ltr to:

House
Committee on International Relations
Committee on Armed Services
Committee on Appropriations

Senate
Committee on Foreign Relations
Committee on Armed Services
Committee on Appropriations

Transmittal No. 06-65**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:** Colombia
- (ii) **Total Estimated Value:**
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| Major Defense Equipment* | \$300 million |
| Other | <u>\$ 3 million</u> |
| TOTAL | \$303 million |
- (iii) **Description and Quantity or Quantities of Articles or Services under Consideration for Purchase:** 15 UH-60L BLACK HAWK helicopters with engines, spare and repair parts, tools and support equipment, publications and technical data, personnel training and training equipment, U.S. Government and contractor technical assistance and other related elements of logistics support.
- (iv) **Military Department:** Army (VBR)
- (v) **Prior Related Cases, if any:** numerous FMS cases pertaining to BLACK HAWK Helicopters
- (vi) **Sales Commission, Fee, etc., Paid, Offered, or Agreed to be Paid:** none
- (vii) **Sensitivity of Technology Contained in the Defense Article or Defense Services Proposed to be Sold:** See Annex attached
- (viii) **Date Report Delivered to Congress:**

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

POLICY JUSTIFICATION

Colombia - UH-60L BLACK HAWK HELICOPTERS

The Government of Colombia has requested a possible sale of 15 UH-60L BLACK HAWK helicopters with engines, spare and repair parts, tools and support equipment, publications and technical data, personnel training and training equipment, U.S. Government and contractor technical assistance and other related elements of logistics support. The estimated cost is \$303 million.

This proposed sale will contribute to the foreign policy and national security of the United States by helping to improve the security of a friendly country that has been and continues to be an important partner in the war on drugs.

Colombia needs these helicopters to fulfill its strategic commitments within the region, for its self-defense and to continue its counter narco-terrorist mission. These helicopters will be used continue Colombia's unified campaign against narcotics trafficking and terrorist organizations. The proposed sale will upgrade its anti-personnel and day/night mission capability, provide for the defense of vital installations, and provide close air support for ground forces. Colombia, which already has UH-60 model helicopters in its inventory, will have no difficulty absorbing these additional aircraft.

The proposed sale of this equipment and support will not affect the basic military balance in the region.

The principal contractors will be: Sikorsky Aircraft Corporation of Stratford, Connecticut and General Electric of Lynn, Massachusetts. There are no known offset agreements proposed in connection with this potential sale.

Implementation of this proposed sale will not require the assignment of any additional U.S. Government and contractor representatives to Colombia.

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

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Pursuant to Section 36(b)(1)
of the Arms Export Control Act****Annex
Item No. vii****(vii) Sensitivity of Technology:**

1. The UH-60L BLACK HAWK helicopters contain communications and identification equipment, navigation equipment, aircraft survivability equipment, displays and sensors. The airframe itself does not contain sensitive technology. The highest levels of classified information required to be released for training, operation and maintenance of the BLACK HAWK helicopters is Unclassified. The highest level that could be revealed through reverse engineering or testing of the end item is Secret.

2. The UH-60L BLACK HAWK helicopters will include the following pertinent equipment listed below, either installed on the aircraft or included in the sale:

a. The Hover InfraRed (IR) Suppression System (HIRSS) and Improved HIRSS and Forward Looking Infrared (FLIR) systems are Unclassified. The FLIR is optional.

b. The 200 Gallon Internal Auxiliary Fuel Tank Kits provide extra range fuel capabilities and allow the helicopter to transport and dispense aviation fuel to aircraft or tactical vehicles at forward landing zones. The tank kits that allow for rapid mission changes are is Unclassified. The tank kits are optional.

c. The Six-Man Pole and Litter Mission Kit provides search and rescue capabilities and can be used in a wide range of rescue operations, including tactical, Hazmat and disaster preparation. The kit is Unclassified and considered optional.

d. The AN/ARC-232 Starblazer Airborne Very High Frequency/Ultra High Frequency Multi-band Communications System (Exportable version) supports the requirement for an airborne, multi-band, multi-mission, anti-jam, voice and data network-capable communication system in one small lightweight package qualified to military standards. The system is Unclassified and can be procured without the

e. The AN/ARC-201E Single Channel Ground/Airborne Subsystem Radio (Exportable) is a tactical airborne radio subsystem that provides secure, anti-jam voice and data communication. There are no releasability issues. The system is Unclassified.

3. If a technologically advanced adversary were to obtain knowledge of the specific hardware or software in this proposed sale, the information could be used to develop countermeasures which might reduce weapon system effectiveness or be used in the development of a system with similar or advance capabilities.

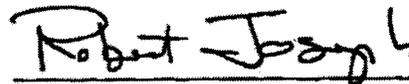
DETERMINATION

Pursuant to § 484 of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, as amended (22 U.S.C. 2261) (the "Act"), the International Narcotics Control Corrections Act of 1994, Executive Order 12163, as amended, and in accordance with State Department Delegation of Authority Number 293, I hereby waive the application of § 484(a)(1) of the Act (which requires that the United States retain title to aircraft made available to a foreign country primarily for narcotics-related purposes), for the sale of fifteen UH-60L BLACK HAWK helicopters with engines, spare and repair parts, tools and support equipment, publications and technical data, personnel training and training equipment, U.S. Government and contractor technical assistance and other related elements of logistics support to the Government of Colombia because retention of title to the aircraft would be contrary to the national interest of the United States.

This waiver shall be reported to Congress immediately in accordance with the procedures applicable to reprogramming notifications under § 634A of the Act as required by § 484(a)(2)(ii) of the Act.

SEP 25 2006

Date



Robert Joseph
Under Secretary of State
for Arms Control and International Security

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

[Transmittal No. 06-64]

36(b)(1) Arms Sales Notification

AGENCY: Department of Defense, Defense Security Cooperation Agency.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of Defense is publishing the unclassified text of a section 36(b)(1) arms sales notification. This is published to fulfill the requirements of section 155 of Public Law 104-164 dated 21 July 1996.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. J. Hurd, DSCA/DBO/CFM, (703) 604-6575.

The following is a copy of a letter to the Speaker of the House of Representatives, Transmittal 06-64 with attached transmittal, policy justification, and Sensitivity of Technology.

Dated: September 28, 2006.

C.R. Choate,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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