Consideration for Purchase: Follow-on life cycle support to maintain the Multifunctional Information Distribution Systems Low Volume Terminals (MIDS/LVT-1) and Joint **Tactical Information Distribution** Systems (JTIDS). The support will include spare and repair parts, support equipment, repair and return, publications and technical documentation, personnel training and training equipment, software and hardware updates, maintenance of a continental United States (CONUS) lab, U.S. Government and contracting engineering, logistics, and technical support services, and other related elements of program and logistics support.

(iv) Military Department: Navy (GOS) (v) Prior Related Cases, if any:

FMS Case GNU-\$290M-13JUL10 FMS Case GMK-\$277M-10JAN03

(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: None

(viii) Date Report Delivered to Congress: 16 December 2015

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

#### POLICY JUSTIFICATION

Taipei Economic and Cultural Representative Office in the United States- Follow-On Support

The Taipei Economic and Cultural Representative Office in the United States has requested a possible sale of follow-on life cycle support to maintain the Multifunctional Information Distribution Systems Low Volume Terminals (MIDS/LVT-1) and Joint Tactical Information Distribution Systems (JTIDS) previously procured.

The support will include spare and repair parts, support equipment, repair and return, publications and technical documentation, personnel training and training equipment, software and hardware updates, maintenance of a continental United States lab, U.S. Government and contracting engineering, logistics, and technical support services, and other related elements of program and logistics support. The estimated value is \$120 million.

This sale is consistent with United States law and policy as expressed in Public Law 96–8.

This proposed sale serves U.S. national, economic, and security interests by supporting the recipient's continuing efforts to modernize its armed forces and enhance its defensive capability. The proposed sale will help improve the security of the recipient and assist in maintaining political stability, military balance, and economic progress in the region.

The proposed sale will enhance the recipient's operational readiness and maintenance of its existing systems. The support will improve and integrate the recipient's information flow and display of tactical aircraft, surface ships, and ground stations. The recipient will have no difficulty absorbing this support and equipment into its inventory.

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

The principal contractor will be selected through a competitive procurement conducted by the U.S. Government in accordance with the Federal Acquisition Regulation. The purchaser normally requests industrial cooperation at forty percent, but at this time there are no known offset

agreements proposed in connection with this potential sale.

Implementation of this proposed sale will require multiple trips to the recipient involving U.S. Government and contractor representatives to participate in training, program management, and technical reviews.

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

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#### **DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**

#### Office of the Secretary

[Transmittal No. 15-74]

#### 36(b)(1) Arms Sales Notification

**AGENCY:** Defense Security Cooperation Agency, Department of Defense.

**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 July 21, 1996.

## **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Sarah A. Ragan or Heather N. Harwell,

Saran A. Ragan or Heatner N. Harwell, DSCA/LMO, (703) 604–1546/(703) 607–5339.

The following is a copy of a letter to the Speaker of the House of Representatives, Transmittal 15–74 with attached Policy Justification and Sensitivity of Technology.

Dated: February 8, 2016.

#### Aaron Siegel,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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# DEFENSE SECURITY COOPERATION AGENCY 201 127H STREET SOUTH, STE 203 ARLINGTON, VA 22212-5409

The Honorable Paul D. Ryan Speaker of the House U.S. House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515

DEC 1 6 2015

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. 15-74, concerning the Department of the Army's proposed Letter(s) of Offer and Acceptance to the Taipei Economic and Cultural Representative Office in the United States for defense articles and services estimated to cost \$57 million. After this letter is delivered to your office, we plan to issue a news release to notify the public of this proposed sale.

Sincerely,

J.W. Rixey Vice Admiral, USN Director

#### Enclosures:

- 1. Transmittal
- 2. Policy Justification
- 3. Sensitivity of Technology



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Transmittal No. 15-74

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: Taipei Economic and Cultural Representative Office in the United States
  - (ii) Total Estimated Value:

 Major Defense Equipment \*
 \$50.0 million

 Other
 \$ 7.0 million

 Total
 \$57.0 million

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

Major Defense Equipment (MDE): Two-hundred and eight (208) Javelin Guided Missiles

Also included with this request are U.S. Government and contractor technical assistance, above the line transportation costs, and other related elements of logistics and program support

- (iv) Military Department: Army (ZBS)
- (v) Prior Related Cases, if any:

FMS Case: YWG, Basic: \$39.8M-8 Jul 02

A01: \$39.98M–18 Jul 03 A02: \$39.98–04 Nov 05 A03: \$39.7M–15 Dec 09

YZD, Basic: \$28.8M-11 Dec 09

A01: \$30.1M-25 Oct 10

(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: 16 December 2015 \* as defined in Section 47(6) of the Arms Export Control Act.

#### POLICY JUSTIFICATION

Taipei Economic and Cultural Representative Office in the United States—Javelin Missile

The Taipei Economic and Cultural Representative Office in the United States has requested a possible sale of two-hundred and eight (208) Javelin Guided Missiles; U.S. Government and contractor technical assistance, above the line transportation costs, and other related elements of logistics and program support. The estimated cost is \$57 million.

This sale is consistent with United States law and policy as expressed in Public Law 96–8.

This proposed sale serves U.S. national, economic, and security interests by supporting the recipient's continuing efforts to modernize its armed forces and enhance its defensive capability. The proposed sale will help improve the security of the recipient and assist in maintaining political stability, military balance, and economic progress in the region.

The Javelin missile will provide the recipient with increased capacity to meet its coastal and homeland defense requirements. The recipient will have no difficulty absorbing this equipment into its armed forces.

The prime contractors will be Raytheon/Lockheed Martin Javelin Joint Venture of Orlando, Florida and Tucson, Arizona. The purchaser normally requests industrial cooperation at forty percent, but at this time 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 or contractor representatives to the recipient.

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

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Annex

Item No. vii

(viii) Sensitivity of Technology:

- 1. The Javelin Weapon System is a medium-range, man-portable, shoulder-launched, fire-and-forget, anti-tank system for infantry, scouts, and combat engineers. It may also be mounted on a variety of platforms to include vehicles and watercraft. The system weighs 49.5 pounds and has a maximum range in excess of 2,500 meters. The system is highly lethal against tanks and other systems with conventional and reactive armors. The system possesses a secondary capability against bunkers.
- 2. Javelin's key technical feature is the use of fire-and-forget technology which allows the gunner to fire and immediately relocate or take cover. Additional special features are the top attack and/or direct fire modes, an advanced tandem warhead and imaging infrared seeker, target lock-on before launch, and soft launch from enclosures or covered fighting positions. The Javelin missile also has a minimum smoke motor thus decreasing its detection on the battlefield.
- 3. The missile is autonomously guided to the target using an imaging infrared seeker and adaptive correlation tracking algorithms.
- 4. The Javelin Missile System hardware and the documentation are UNCLASSIFIED. The missile software which resides in the Command Launch Unit (CLU) is considered sensitive. The sensitivity is primarily in the software programs which instruct the system how to operate in the presence of countermeasures. The overall hardware is also considered sensitive in that the infrared wavelengths could be useful in attempted countermeasure development. The benefits to be derived from the sale, as outlined in the policy justification of the notification,

outweigh the potential damage that could result if sensitive technology was revealed to unauthorized persons.

5. 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 weapon system effectiveness or be used in the development of a system with similar or advanced capabilities. All defense articles and services listed in this transmittal have been authorized for release and export to the Taipei Economic and Cultural Representative Office in the United States.

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#### **DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**

#### Office of the Secretary

[Transmittal No. 16-01]

#### 36(b)(1) Arms Sales Notification

**AGENCY:** Defense Security Cooperation Agency, Department of Defense.

**ACTION:** Notice.

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Dated: February 9, 2016.

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