

an environmental assessment, if NOAA determines an assessment is required. Applicants will also be required to cooperate with NOAA in identifying feasible measures to reduce or avoid any identified adverse environmental impacts of their proposal. The failure to do so shall be grounds for not selecting an application. In some cases if additional information is required after an application is selected, funds can be withheld by the Grants Officer under a special award condition requiring the recipient to submit additional environmental compliance information sufficient to enable NOAA to make an assessment on any impacts that a project may have on the environment.

The Department of Commerce Pre-Award Notification Requirements for Grants and Cooperative Agreements contained in the **Federal Register** notice of December 30, 2004 (69 FR 78389), are applicable to this solicitation.

#### **Paperwork Reduction Act**

This document contains collection-of-information requirements subject to the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA). The use of Standard Forms 424, 424A, 424B, SF-LLL, and CD-346 has been approved by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) under the respective control numbers 0348-0043, 0348-0044, 0348-0040, 0348-0046, and 0605-0001. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, no person is required to respond to, nor shall any person be subject to a penalty for failure to comply with, a collection of information subject to the requirements of the PRA unless that collection of information displays a currently valid OMB control number.

#### **Executive Order 12866**

This notice has been determined to be not significant for purposes of Executive Order 12866.

#### **Executive Order 13132 (Federalism)**

It has been determined that this notice does not contain policies with Federalism implications as that term is defined in Executive Order 13132.

#### **Administrative Procedure Act/Regulatory Flexibility Act**

Prior notice and an opportunity for public comment are not required by the Administrative Procedure Act or any other law for rules concerning public property, loans, grants, benefits, and contracts (5 U.S.C. 553(a)(2)). Because notice and opportunity for comment are not required pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 553 or any other law, the analytical requirements of the Regulatory Flexibility Act (5 U.S.C. 601 *et seq.*) are inapplicable. Therefore, a regulatory

flexibility analysis has not been prepared.

Dated: October 17, 2005.

**Charles W. Challstrom,**

*Acting Assistant Administrator, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, National Ocean Service.*

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## **DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**

### **Technology Administration**

#### **Proposed Information Collection; Comment Request; National Medal of Technology Nomination Application**

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Commerce (DOC), as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to comment on the continuing and proposed information collection, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)).

**DATES:** Written comments must be submitted on or before December 20, 2005.

**ADDRESSES:** Direct all written comments to Diana Hynek, Departmental Paperwork Clearance Officer, Department of Commerce, Room 6625, 1401 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230 or via the Internet ([dHynek@doc.gov](mailto:dHynek@doc.gov)).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Requests for additional information should be directed to the attention of Mildred Porter, Director, National Medal of Technology Program, Technology Administration, 1401 Constitution Avenue, NW., Room 4817, Washington, DC 20230.

#### **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

##### **I. Abstract**

This information collection is critical for the Nomination Evaluation Committee to determine nomination eligibility and merit for selection of the Nation's leading technological innovators honored by the President of the United States. The National Medal of Technology Nomination Application solicits nominations that recognize an individual's or company's extraordinary leadership and innovation in technological achievement. The information is needed in order to comply with Pub. L. 96-480 and Pub. L. 105-309.

## **II. Method of Collection**

The nomination forms and instructions are electronically posted on the National Medal of Technology Web site so interested parties can review criteria and informational requirements at their convenience. The nomination forms are available for electronic submission to the NMT office via e-mail to [NMT@technology.gov](mailto:NMT@technology.gov).

## **III. Data**

*OMB Number:* 0692-0001.

*Form Number:* None.

*Type of Review:* Regular submission.

*Affected Public:* Individuals or households; business or other for-profit organizations; not-for-profit institutions; and Federal Government.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 102.

*Estimated Time Per Response:* 25 hours.

*Estimated Total Annual Respondent Burden Hours:* 2,550.

*Estimated Total Annual Respondent Cost Burden:* None.

## **IV. Requests for Comments**

Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden (including hours and cost) of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, e.g., the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval of this information collection; they will also become a matter of public record.

Dated: October 17, 2005.

**Gwellnar Banks,**

*Management Analyst, Office of the Chief Information Officer.*

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## **DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**

### **Office of the Secretary**

[Transmittal No. 06-08]

#### **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/ADM, (703) 604–6575.

The following is a copy of a letter to the Speaker of the House of Representatives, Transmittal 06–08 with

attached transmittal and policy justification.

October 17, 2005.

**L.M. Bynum,**  
*OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer,*  
*Department of Defense.*

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## DEFENSE SECURITY COOPERATION AGENCY

WASHINGTON, DC 20301-2800

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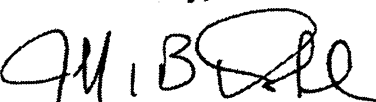
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The Honorable J. Dennis Hastert  
Speaker of the House of Representatives  
Washington, D.C. 20515-6501

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. 06-08, concerning the Department of the Army's proposed Letter(s) of Offer and Acceptance to Colombia for defense articles and services estimated to cost \$43 million. Soon after this letter is delivered to your office, we plan to notify the news media.

Sincerely,



JEFFREY B. KOHLER  
LIEUTENANT GENERAL, USAF  
DIRECTOR

## Enclosures:

1. Transmittal
2. Policy Justification

## 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. 06-08**

**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:**

Major Defense Equipment*	\$30 million
Other	<u>\$13 million</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$43 million</b>
- (iii) **Description and Quantity or Quantities of Articles or Services under Consideration for Purchase:** two UH-60L MEDEVAC BLACK HAWK helicopters with T700-GE-701C or 401C engines, spare and repair parts, communications and support equipment, publications and technical data, personnel training and training equipment, contractor engineering and technical support services and other related elements of logistics support.
- (iv) **Military Department:** Army (UYD)
- (v) **Prior Related Cases, if any:**

FMS case UUF - \$143 million - 13Jun00
FMS case UTN - \$116 million - 24Dec96
FMS case USI - \$ 37 million - 28Dec93
FMS case ULY - \$ 35 million - 29Jun89
FMS case UKZ - \$ 36 million - 30Jul87
- (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:** 14 OCT 2005

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

## POLICY JUSTIFICATION

### Colombia - UH-60L MEDEVAC BLACK HAWK Helicopters

The Government of Colombia has requested a possible sale of two UH-60L MEDEVAC BLACK HAWK helicopters with T700-GE-701C or 401C engines, spare and repair parts, communications and support equipment, publications and technical data, personnel training and training equipment, contractor engineering and technical support services and other related elements of logistics support. The estimated cost is \$43 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 which has been and continues to be an important force in the war on drugs.

The proposed helicopter sale will be of critical value in the establishment of the Colombian Army Search and Rescue/MEDEVAC Program. Colombia has no transportation for search, rescue, or evacuating injured personnel from the battlefield. Current personnel losses in the field can be directly attributed to the lack of helicopters for search and rescue. These helicopters will help greatly in preventing loss of life now being felt because their injured personnel cannot be moved rapidly from the battlefield. Colombia, which already has UH-60 model helicopters in its inventory, will have no difficulty absorbing the MEDEVAC helicopters.

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

The prime contractor will be Sikorsky Aircraft Corporation of Stratford, Connecticut. 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 Colombia.

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

##### Defense Science Board

AGENCY: Department of Defense.

ACTION: Notice of Advisory Committee meeting date change.

SUMMARY: On Monday, August 22, 2005 (70 FR 48937) the Department of Defense announced open meetings of

the Defense Science Board (DSB) Task Force on Manufacturing Technology. The November 2005 meeting dates have been revised from November 2-3, 2005 to November 2, 2005 only. The task force will meet in closed session. The meeting will be held at Strategic Analysis Inc., 3601 Wilson Boulevard, Suite 600, Arlington, VA.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: LTC Scott Dolgoff, USA, Defense Science Board, 3140 Defense Pentagon, Room 3C553, Washington, DC 20301-3140, via e-mail at [scott.dolgoff@osd.mil](mailto:scott.dolgoff@osd.mil), or via phone at (703) 571-0087.

Dated: October 17, 2005.

L.M. Bynum,

Alternate OSD Federal Register, Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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#### DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Missile Defense Agency; Membership of the Missile Defense Agency Senior Executive Service Performance Review Board

AGENCY: Missile Defense Agency, DoD.