OMB Desk Officer for the Corporation for National and Community Service; and

(2) Electronically by email to: *Katherine_T._Astrich@omb.eop.gov.*

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The OMB is particularly interested in comments that:

- Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Corporation, including whether the information will have practical utility;
- Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information including the validity of the methodology and the assumptions used;
- Propose ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and
- Propose ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submissions of responses.

Comments: A 60-day Federal Register notice for the My Improvement Plan: On-line Survey and Planning Tool for Training and Technical Assistance (T/TA) was published on March 14, 2005. The comment period ended on May 14, 2005. No comments were received.

Description: The Corporation is seeking approval of the My Improvement Plan: An On-line Survey and Planning Tool for T/TA. The purpose of this tool is to strengthen the capacities of grantees to manage their programs and deliver services effectively. This tool will costeffectively develop program and project

core management competencies (such as, financial and grants management, resource and fund development, performance measurement and evaluation, etc.). My Improvement Plan will enable program officers and T/TA providers to assess users' needs, target, and deliver T/TA to users.

The tool will be published by the Corporation's Office of Leadership Development and Training on its website www.nationalservice.gov/resources. The tool's questions will be voluntarily completed by the Corporation's grantees, other service organizations and interested members of the public. Based on their responses, users will be directed to specific training and technical resources most beneficial to their professional development in the form of an individualized learning plan ("My Improvement Plan").

The survey tool includes a prescreening block consisting of 36 questions and 10 building blocks consisting of between 12 and 42 questions. Users of the tool may opt to take one or all of the building blocks. This tool will be completed electronically using the Corporation's training and technical assistance Web site, www.nationalservice.gov/resources.

Type of Review: New.

Agency: Corporation for National and Community Service.

Title: My Improvement Plan: On-line Survey and Planning Tool for Training and Technical Assistance (T/TA).

OMB Number: None.

Frequency: On Occasion.

Affected Public: Individuals associated with the Corporation's grantee organizations, other service organizations and interested members of the public.

Total Respondents: 4,000 annually.

Average Time Per Respondent: 3 minutes per building block questionnaire.

Total Burden Cost (capital/startup): None.

Total Annual Cost (operating/maintaining systems or purchasing services): None.

Dated: November 4, 2005.

Gretchen Van Der Veer,

Director, Office of Leadership Development and Training.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

[Transmittal No. 06-16]

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 seciton 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 06–16 with attached transmittal, policy justification and Sensitivity of Technology.

Dated: November 4, 2005.

L.M. Bynum,

OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEFENSE SECURITY COOPERATION AGENCY WASHINGTON, DC 20301-2800

2 NOV 2005 In reply refer to: I-05/011620

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. 06-16, concerning the Department of the Navy's proposed Letter(s) of Offer and Acceptance to Spain for defense articles and services estimated to cost \$550 million. Soon after this letter is delivered to your office, we plan to notify the news media.

Sincerely,

Richard J. Millies
Deputy Director

Enclosures:

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

Same Itr 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. 06-16

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: Spain

(ii) Total Estimated Value:

Major Defense Equipment* \$290 million
Other \$260 million
TOTAL \$550 million

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

Major Defense Equipment (MDE)

1 MK 7 AEGIS Weapons System;

1 MK 41 Baseline VII Vertical Launch System; and

2 MK 45 MOD 1 Gun Mount (1 ship sets) (Excess Defense Articles)

Non-MDE

AN/SLQ-25A Torpedo Countermeasure System;

Aviation Support System;

MK III Shipboard System Light Airborne Multi-Purpose System; Common Data Link Management System/Joint Tactical Information Distribution System;

Multifunctional Information Distribution System on Ships;

MK 162 MOD 1 Shipboard Gridlock System;

Navigation Sensor System Interface/Global Positioning System; HARPOON ORDALTS to upgrade Spanish HARPOON System.

Also included are system integration and testing, communications and support equipment, testing, computer programs and maintenance support, ship integration, spare and repair parts, supply support, publications and technical data, training, U.S. Government and contractor technical assistance, and other related elements of logistics support. The estimated cost is \$550 million.

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

- (iv) Military Department: Navy (LGB)
- (v) Prior Related Cases, if any: FMS case LFG \$748 million 1Jan97
- (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: 2 NOV 2005

POLICY JUSTIFICATION

Spain – AEGIS Weapons System

The Government of Spain has requested a possible sale of

Major Defense Equipment (MDE)

1 MK 7 AEGIS Weapons System; 1 MK 41 Baseline VII Vertical Launch System; and 2 MK 45 MOD 1 Gun Mount (1 ship sets) (Excess Defense Articles)

Non-MDE

AN/SLQ-25A Torpedo Countermeasure System;
Aviation Support System;
MK III Shipboard System Light Airborne Multi-Purpose System;
Common Data Link Management System/Joint Tactical Information Distribution System;

Multifunctional Information Distribution System on Ships; MK 162 MOD 1 Shipboard Gridlock System; Navigation Sensor System Interface/Global Positioning System; HARPOON ORDALTS to upgrade Spanish HARPOON System.

Also included are system integration and testing, communications and support equipment, testing, computer programs and maintenance support, ship integration, spare and repair parts, supply support, publications and technical data, training, U.S. Government and contractor technical assistance, and other related elements of logistics support. The estimated cost is \$550 million.

This proposed sale will contribute to the foreign policy and national security objectives of the United States by improving the military capabilities of Spain and enhancing standardization and interoperability with U.S. forces. This proposed sale of the AEGIS Weapon System will provide greater interoperability and cooperation between our navies.

The proposed sale of the AEGIS Weapons System to Spain will contribute to U.S. security objectives by providing a coalition partner with significantly improved Air Warfare capability. This will improve the Spanish Navy's ability to participate in coalition operations, provides common logistical support with the U.S. Navy, and enhances the lethality of its new frigate program. The Spanish can easily integrate the capabilities of the AEGIS Weapons System into their concept of operations. Spain will have no difficulty absorbing this system into its armed forces.

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

The principle contractors will be:

Lockheed-Martin Maritime System and Sensors Raytheon Company, Equipment Division General Dynamics, Armament Systems Lockheed Martin Maritime Systems and Sensors Moorestown, New Jersey Andover, Massachusetts Burlington, Vermont Eagan, Minnesota

Offset agreements associated with this proposed sale are expected, but at this time the specific offset agreements are undetermined and will be defined in negotiations between the purchaser and contractor.

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

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

Transmittal No. 06-16

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

Annex Item No. vii

(vii) Sensitivity of Technology:

- 1. The AEGIS Weapon System (AWS) hardware is Unclassified, with the exception of the Radio Frequency oscillator used in the Fire Control transmitter; which is classified Confidential. AEGIS documentation in general is Unclassified; however, seven operation and maintenance manuals are classified Confidential, and one AEGIS maintenance manual supplement is classified Secret. The manuals and technical documents are limited to those necessary for operational and organizational maintenance.
- 2. While the hardware associated with the SPY-1D(V) radar is Unclassified, the computer programs are classified Secret. It is the combination of the SPY-1D(V) hardware and the computer programs that constitutes the sensitive technology aspects. The SPY-1D(V) radar hardware design and production data will not be released with this proposed sale. Some computer program documentation at the Secret level explaining the capabilities of the systems will be released to support Spanish understanding of US computer program development efforts.
- 3. 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 could be used in the development of a system with similar or advanced capabilities.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

Defense Business Board; Notice of Advisory Committee Meeting

AGENCY: Department of Defense, DoD. **ACTION:** Notice of Advisory Committee meeting.

SUMMARY: The Defense Business Board (DBB) will meet in open session on Thursday, December 1, 2005, at the Pentagon, Washington, DC from 9:45 a.m. until 12 p.m. (noon). The mission of the DBB is to advise the Secretary of Defense on effective strategies for implementation of best business practices of interest to the Department

of Defense. At this meeting, the Board will deliberate on their findings and recommendations related to: Healthcare for Military Retirees; Military Postal Service; and Business Management Modernization Program (BMMP).

DATES: Thursday, December 1, 2005, 9:45 a.m. to 12 p.m. (noon).

ADDRESSES: 1155 Defense Pentagon, 3C288, Washington, DC 20301–1155.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Members of the public who wish to attend the meeting must contact the Defense Business Board no later than Tuesday, November 22nd for further information about escort arrangements in the Pentagon. Additionally, those who wish to make oral comments or deliver written comments should also request to be scheduled, and submit a written text of the comments by Monday, November 21st to allow time

for distribution to the Board members prior to the meeting. Individual oral comments will be limited to five minutes, with the total oral comment period not exceeding 30 minutes.

The DBB may be contacted at: Defense Business Board, 1155 Defense Pentagon, Room 3C288, Washington, DC 20301–1155, via e-mail at defensebusinessboard2@osd.mil or via phone at (703) 697–2168.

Dated: November 4, 2005.

L.M. Bynum,

OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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