(iv) *Military Department:* Air Force (TW–D–KDT)

(v) Prior Related Cases, if any: TW–D– KDS, TW–D–KDR

(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:* September 24, 2018

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

### POLICY JUSTIFICATION

Taipei Economic and Cultural Representative Office in the United States (TECRO)—Foreign Military Sales Order (FMSO) II Case

TECRO has requested a Foreign Military Sales Order (FMSO) II to provide funds for blanket order requisitions, under a Cooperative Logistics Supply Support Arrangement for stock replenishment supply of standard spare parts, and repair/replace of spare parts in support of the F–16, C– 130, F–5, Indigenous Defense Fighter (IDF), all other aircraft systems and subsystems, and other related elements of logistics and program support. The total estimated program cost is \$330 million.

This proposed sale is consistent with U.S. law and policy as expressed in Public Law 96–8.

This proposed sale will contribute to the foreign policy and national security of the United States by helping to improve the security and defensive capability of the recipient, which has been and continues to be an important force for political stability, military balance, and economic progress in the region.

The proposed sale of spare and repair parts is required to maintain the recipient's defensive and transport aerial fleet. The recipient has been operating these fleets since 1996 and will have no difficulty absorbing this equipment and support into its armed forces.

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

There are no principal contractors involved with this potential sale. There are no known offset agreements proposed in connection with this potential sale.

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

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. 18-0G]

## **Arms Sales Notification**

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

**ACTION:** Arms sales notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Defense is publishing the unclassified text of an arms sales notification.

## FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

DSCA at *dsca.ncr.lmo.mbx.info*@ *mail.mil* or (703) 697–9709.

# SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This

36(b)(5)(c) arms sales notification is published to fulfill the requirements of section 155 of Public Law 104–164 dated July 21, 1996. The following is a copy of a letter to the Speaker of the House of Representatives and Transmittal 18–0G with attached Policy Justification.

Dated: November 2, 2018.

# Aaron T. Siegel,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.



DEFENSE SECURITY COOPERATION AGENCY 201 12<sup>TH</sup> STREET SOUTH, STE 203 ARLINGTON, VA 22202-5408

The Honorable Paul D. Ryan Speaker of the House U.S. House of Representatives H-209, The Capitol Washington, DC 20515

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Dear Mr. Speaker:

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. 18-0G. This report relates to

enhancements or upgrades from the level of sensitivity of technology or capability described in

the Section 36(b)(1) AECA certification 17-50 of January 5, 2018.

Sincerely,

Charles W. Hooper Lieutenant General, USA Director

**Enclosures:** 

1. Transmittal

2. Regional Balance (Classified document provided under separate cover)

Transmittal No. 18–0G

REPORT OF ENHANCEMENT OR UPGRADE OF SENSITIVITY OF TECHNOLOGY OR CAPABILITY (SEC. 36(B)(5)(C), AECA)

(i) *Purchaser:* Government of Oman (ii) *Sec. 36(b)(1), AECA Transmittal No.:* 17–50

Date: January 5, 2018 Military Department: Air Force (iii) *Description:* On January 5, 2018, Congress was notified by Congressional certification transmittal number 17–50 of the possible sale to Oman under Section 36(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act of an incremental Operational Flight Profile (OFP) software upgrade for F–16 subsystems, as well as Identification Friend or Foe (IFF) and secure communications equipment for Mode 5 operations, on twenty-three (23) F–16 aircraft. Non-MDE items and services consisted of twenty-nine (29) KIV–78 cryptographic/ timing modules (twenty-three (23) installed and six (6) spares); twentynine (29) KY–100M cryptographic radio encryptors (twenty-three (23) installed and six (6) spares); twenty-nine (29) AN/APX–126 Combined Interrogator Transponders (twenty-three (23) installed and six (6) spares); Classified and Unclassified Computer Program Identification Numbers (CPINS) upgrades; OFP upgrades for IFF Mode 5 capable systems; Joint Mission Planning System (JMPS) upgrade; Sniper Advanced Targeting Pod software, service support, support equipment, spares, and training; systems support and test equipment; spare and repair parts; publications and technical documentation; training and training equipment; U.S. Government and contractor technical engineering; logistics and technical support services; and other related elements of logistics and program support. The estimated cost was \$62 million.

This transmittal reports the inclusion of thirty-three (33) Link-16 Multifunctional Information Distribution System—Joint Tactical Radio Systems (MIDS-JTRS) (MDE); additional above-the-line transportation costs; and hardware and software integration costs for the Royal Air Force of Oman's F–16s aircraft upgrade program. The addition of the MDE equipment will raise the value of MDE on the sale from \$0 to \$15 million. Additional above-the-line transportation and integration costs increase the non-MDE value by \$22 million. The total case value will increase to \$99 million.

(iv) *Significance:* This notification is being provided as the Link-16 MIDS– JTRS were not included in the original notification. Their inclusion represents an increase in capability over what was previously notified. This equipment and additional funding to support integration efforts provides the Royal Air Force of Oman with the equipment and services necessary to support the requested capability. (v) *Justification:* This proposed sale will support the foreign policy and national security objectives of the United States by helping to improve the security of a friendly country which has been, and continues to be, an important force for political stability and economic progress in the Middle East.

(vi) Sensitivity of Technology: Multifunctional Information Distribution System—Joint Tactical Radio System (MIDS–JTRS) is classified CONFIDENTIAL. The MIDS-JTRS is a secure data and voice communication network using Link-16 architecture. The system provides enhanced situational awareness, positive identification of participants within the network, secure fighter-to-fighter connectivity, secure voice capability, and ARN-118 TACAN functionality. It provides three major functions: Air Control, Wide Area Surveillance, and Fighter-to-Fighter. The MIDS-JTRS can be used to transfer data in Air-to-Air, Air-to-Surface, and Air-to-Ground scenarios. The MIDS terminal hardware, publications, performance specifications, operational capability, parameters, vulnerabilities to countermeasures, and software documentation are classified CONFIDENTIAL. The classified information to be provided consists of that which is necessary for the operation, maintenance, and repair (through intermediate level) of the data link terminal installed systems, and related software.

(vi) Date Report Delivered to Congress: October 1, 2018 [FR Doc. 2018–24412 Filed 11–7–18; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 5001–06–P

# DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

## Office of the Secretary

[Transmittal No. 18–0C]

#### **Arms Sales Notification**

AGENCY: Defense Security Cooperation Agency, Department of Defense. ACTION: Arms sales notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Defense is publishing the unclassified text of an arms sales notification.

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