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Egypt - CHINOOK Turbine Engines

On 27 June 2005, the Defense Security Cooperation Agency notified Congress of a possible Foreign Military Sale to Egypt of 50 CH-47D, T55-GA-714A turbine engines for CHINOOK helicopters as well as associated equipment and services. The total value, if all options are exercised, could be as high as \$73 million.

The Government of Egypt has requested a possible sale of 50 CH-47D, T55-GA-714A turbine engines for CHINOOK helicopters, support equipment, spare and repair parts, publications and technical data, personnel training and training equipment, U.S. Government Technical Assistance Field Team (TAFT) and other related elements of logistics. The estimated cost is \$73 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 force for political stability and economic progress in the Middle East.

Egypt will eventually replace its existing T55-L-712 engines on its CH-47 CHINOOK helicopters. Egypt uses these helicopters in support of its armed forces and may also deploy them in cases of disaster relief missions or in joint exercises with the U.S. Government. Egypt, which already has CHINOOK engines in its inventory, will have no difficulty absorbing these additional engines.

The prime contractor will be Honeywell of Phoenix, Arizona. There are no known offset agreements proposed in connection with this potential sale.

Implementation of this proposed sale will require the assignment of 12 U.S. Government representatives to Egypt following delivery of the engines and installation phase.

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

This notice of a potential sale is required by law; it does not mean that the sale has been concluded.

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