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Greece – F-16C/D Munitions

WASHINGTON, December 08, 2006 - The Defense Security Cooperation Agency notified Congress of a possible Foreign Military Sale to Greece of F-16C/D munitions, as well as associated equipment and services. The total value, if all options are exercised, could be as high as \$104 million.

The Government of Greece has requested a possible sale of:

Major Defense Equipment (MDE)

40 AGM-154-C Joint Standoff Weapons (JSOW);

100 GBU-31 Joint Direct Attack Munitions (JDAM) Kits;

200 CBU-103 Wind Corrected Munitions Dispenser (WCMD) with FZU-39 Proximity Mechanisms;

100 Enhanced Paveway II with BLU-109; and

136 Enhanced Paveway II with MK-84 Warheads

Also included are JSOW training missiles, BRU-57/A Smart Rack Launchers, containers, system integration and testing, sensors, missile modifications, fuzes, software development/integration, test sets and support equipment, spare and repair parts, publications and technical data, maintenance, personnel training and training equipment, U.S. Government and contractor representatives, contractor engineering and technical support services, and other related elements of logistics support. The estimated cost is \$104 million.

This proposed sale will contribute to the foreign policy and national security objectives of the United States by improving Greece's military capabilities and furthering weapon system standardization and interoperability with U.S. forces.

The Government of Greece needs these capabilities for mutual defense, regional security, modernization, and interoperability with the U.S. and other North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) countries. The modernization of Greece's F-16 fleet will increase the effectiveness of its contribution and capabilities to future NATO, coalition, and anti-terrorism operations. This will also enhance Greece's ability to patrol its extensive coastline and borders against future threats, and will contribute to the War on Terrorism and to NATO operations. This modernization will be provided in accordance with, and subject to the limitation on use and transfer provided under the Arms Export Control Act, as amended, and as embodied in the Letter of Offer and Acceptance.

The proposed sale of the weapons will bring overall standoff performance up to existing regional baselines. Greece will have no difficulty absorbing these weapons into its armed forces.

This proposed sale will not adversely affect either the military balance in the region or U.S. efforts to encourage a negotiated settlement of the Cyprus question.

The principal contractors will be:

Lockheed Martin Missiles and Fire ControlOrlando, FloridaRaytheon Missile SystemsTucson, ArizonaBoeing Integrated Defense SystemsArlington, Virginia

Although generally the purchaser requires offsets, at this time there are no known offset agreements proposed in connection with this potential sale.

The number of U.S. Government personnel and contractor representatives required in Greece to support the program will be determined in joint negotiations.

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.