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POLAND – F-16 Fighter Aircraft

On 22 July 2002, the Defense Security Cooperation Agency notified Congress of a possible Foreign Military Sale to Poland of F-16 Aircraft as well as associated equipment and services. The total value, if all options are exercised, could be as high as \$1,049 million.

The Government of Poland has requested a possible sale of 4 F-16C Block 50/52 aircraft with either the F100-PW-229 or F110-GE-129 engines and APG-68(V)9 FMS radars, 10 LAU-129 Launchers, 22 PANTERA weapon targeting systems, 6 reconnaissance pods, 48 conformal fuel tanks, 8 autonomous air combat maneuvering instruments, 48 Joint Helmet Mounted Cueing Systems, 48 Link 16 NATO Datalink Systems, 48 Advanced Integrated Defensive Electronic Warfare Suites, 20 Night Vision Goggles, 4 AN/APX-113 Identification Friend or Foe systems, 8 AN/ARC-210 SINCGAR radios with HAVE QUICK II, 1 Pratt and Whitney F-100-PW-229 or F-110-GE-129 spare engine, 1 spare APG-68(V)9 FMS radar set, 178 AIM-9X Sidewinder missiles, 24 AIM-9X Sidewinder training missiles, 280 AGM-154A/C Joint Stand-Off Weapons, 215 MK-82 500# general purpose bombs, 140 CBU-97 bombs with Wind Correct Munitions Dispenser, and 214 GBU-22/24 Paveway III guided bomb units, associated support equipment, software development/integration, Night Vision Goggle-compatible cockpits, practice bombs, training missiles, ammunition, spare and repair parts, flight test instrumentation, publications and technical documentation, personnel training and training equipment, U.S. Government and contractor technical and logistics personnel services, and other related elements of logistics support. The estimated cost is \$1,049 million.

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

This proposed sale of the F-16 aircraft would enhance NATO interoperability and simultaneously provide operational capabilities as Poland's inventory of Soviet-era aircraft is eventually retired. This proposed sale would not impact the regional military balance of power.

The principal contractors will be Lockheed Martin Aeronautics Company in Fort Worth, Texas; Pratt and Whitney in East Hartford, Connecticut; General Electric Aircraft Engines in Cincinnati, Ohio; Raytheon Corporation in Lexington, Massachusetts; and Boeing Company in Seattle, Washington. One or more proposed offset agreements may be related to this proposed sale.

Implementation will require the assignment of approximately 12 each U.S. Government and contractor representatives for a period of up to four years to provide program support commencing with delivery of the aircraft to Poland.

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.