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## **Egypt - AN/MPQ-64 SENTINEL Radar Systems**

On 4 September, the Defense Security Cooperation Agency notified Congress of a possible Foreign Military Sale to Egypt of AN/MPQ-64 SENTINEL radar systems as well as associated equipment and services. The total value, if all options are exercised, could be as high as \$44 million.

The Government of Egypt has requested a possible sale of 12 AN/MPQ-64 SENTINEL radar systems, 12 AN/VRC-92E SINCGARS radio sets, generators, spare and repair parts, test and tool sets, personnel training and equipment, communications equipment, publications, U.S. Government and contractor engineering and logistics personnel services, Quality Assurance Team, and other related elements of logistics support. The estimated cost is \$44 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 which has been and continues to be an important force for political stability and economic progress in the Middle East.

Egypt desires to replace its aging TRACKSTAR radar systems which support their Chaparral fire units. The SENTINEL is the combat Short Range Air Defense system sensor that provides the low altitude air picture over and beyond the Forward Line of Own-Troops, contributing to the mission of defeating the low altitude air threat.

The prime contractor will be Thales Raytheon Systems of El Segundo, California. There are no offset agreements proposed in connection with this potential sale.

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

Implementation of this proposed sale will require the assignment of two U.S. Government Quality Assurance Teams and five contractor representatives for one week intervals to participate in program review and technical reviews to Egypt.

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.