

process as early as possible so that the applicant can demonstrate its readiness to commence the project(s). Applicants should therefore prepare for the environmental review, including gathering data and analysis, engaging experts or outside contractors, etc., as early as possible. Such actions will facilitate an expeditious environmental review process if invited to submit Application Part 2.

In connection with any loans issued by OSC and depending on the nature of the project or transaction, borrowers may be required to adhere to additional regulations. OSC and potential borrowers (or sponsors) will determine which regulations shall apply during the development of legal documentation.

## 8. Federal Funding Administration Information

### A. Third-Party Expenses and Fees

OSC may utilize independent technical, financial, environmental, insurance, or other consultants and contractors and outside legal counsel during the due diligence process. Subject to the express agreement of the applicant, the applicant shall be responsible for the payment of all expenses charged by the independent consultants or contractors and OSC outside legal counsel in connection with an application. In such case, OSC shall not be responsible for expenses incurred if an application is denied.

### B. Funding Availability and Limitation of Liability

Funding for the program is contingent upon the availability of appropriations. In no event will OSC be responsible for application preparation costs. Neither publication of this NOFA nor invitation to complete an Application Part 2 will oblige OSC to fund any specific project or transaction or to obligate available funds. This NOFA also is not intended to and does not create any rights enforceable by any alleged third-party beneficiaries.

OSC is not under any obligation to provide additional future funding in connection with funding made under this NOFA.

### C. Reporting

OSC understands the importance of undertaking systemic data collection and rigorous evaluative activities to assess the outcomes related to funds given under this NOFA. OSC is committed to this goal, and all applicants should expect this will be a requirement of funding.

All funding recipients will be expected to comply with all reporting

requirements, as well as program evaluation activities undertaken by OSC, in a format acceptable to OSC.

OSC may publish generalized information through the review, selection, and loan issuance process. OSC may inform and, to the extent required by law, seek consent from applicants of any such disclosures. In addition, as will be set forth in the terms and conditions of each loan, successful applicants will be expected to support program and project reviews, audits, and program evaluation activities, including by submitting required financial and performance information and other relevant data in an accurate and timely manner, making available documents and other records related to the project upon request, and by cooperating with OSC and external program evaluators, including the Office of the Inspector General. Certain post-loan issuance progress reporting may also be made public.

OSC may also publish aggregated information from Application Part 1 and Application Part 2.

### D. Additional Information

Any decision by OSC to reject an Application Part 1 as ineligible, or to deny an Application Part 2, shall be final and non-appealable. Unsuccessful applicants will be notified of a denial by email and will have the opportunity to receive a debriefing. Unsuccessful applications will be retained in accordance with Department of Defense recordkeeping requirements.

### E. Privacy Advisory

*a. Authority:* The information requested by Application Part 1 and Part 2 is authorized by the NDAA.

*b. Purpose:* The information requested by Application Part 1 and Part 2 will be used to determine whether the loan transaction presents a reasonable assurance of repayment, meets the eligibility requirements set forth in NDAA section 903 and section 8140 of the Further Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2024, and supports the mission of OSC to attract and scale private investment for national and economic security. The information collected will also be used for “know your customer” purposes to assure that transaction parties do not have ownership, control, or influence from or by foreign parties adverse to the United States.

*c. Uses:* While the information requested by the Application Part 1 and Part 2 is primarily intended to be used internally at OSC, in certain circumstances it may be necessary to disclose this information externally,

including to contractors, experts, consultants, and others performing or working on a contract, service, or other assignment for the Federal Government, when necessary to accomplish an agency function.

*d. Disclosure:* Provision of the information requested by the Application Part 1 and Part 2 is voluntary. However, failure to provide the requested information may result in OSC being unable to determine eligibility under this Notice of Funding Availability and rejection of an Application Part 1 or Part 2. At all times, OSC reserves the right to decline to process or to discontinue processing any application.

*e. OMB Control Number:* Unless a currently valid OMB control number is displayed on Application Part 1 and Application Part 2, OSC may not ask applicants to submit, and applicants are not required to provide, the requested information.

### F. Office of Strategic Capital Contact Information

For general inquiries regarding the NOFA, please contact: Office of Strategic Capital, Department of Defense, Phone: (703) 545-1903, Email: [OSC.Loan.Application@osc.mil](mailto:OSC.Loan.Application@osc.mil).

DoD is an equal opportunity provider, employer, and lender.

Dated: September 24, 2024.

Aaron T. Siegel,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### Office of the Secretary

[Transmittal No. 23-39]

### Arms Sales Notification

**AGENCY:** Defense Security Cooperation Agency, Department of Defense (DoD).

**ACTION:** Arms sales notice.

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

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Pamela Young at (703) 953-6092, [pamela.a.young14.civ@mail.mil](mailto:pamela.a.young14.civ@mail.mil), or [dsca.ncr.rsrcmgmt.list.cns-mbx@mail.mil](mailto:dsca.ncr.rsrcmgmt.list.cns-mbx@mail.mil).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This 36(b)(1) 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 with attached Transmittal 23-39, Policy Justification, and Sensitivity of Technology.

Dated: September 24, 2024.  
**Aaron T. Siegel,**  
*Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.*  
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**DEFENSE SECURITY COOPERATION AGENCY**  
 2800 Defense Pentagon  
 Washington, DC 20301-2800

May 9, 2023

The Honorable Kevin McCarthy  
 Speaker of the House  
 U.S. House of Representatives  
 H-209, The Capitol  
 Washington, DC 20515

Dear Mr. Speaker:

Pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act, as amended, we are forwarding herewith Transmittal No. 23-39, concerning the Army's proposed Letter(s) of Offer and Acceptance to the Government of Slovakia for defense articles and services estimated to cost \$250 million. We will issue a news release to notify the public of this proposed sale upon delivery of this letter to your office.

Sincerely,

James A. Hursch  
 Director

**Enclosures:**

1. Transmittal
2. Policy Justification
3. Sensitivity of Technology

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Transmittal No. 23-39

Notice of Proposed Issuance of Letter of Offer Pursuant to Section 36(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act, as amended

(i) *Prospective Purchaser:* Government of Slovakia

(ii) *Total Estimated Value:*

Major Defense Equipment *	\$100 million
Other .....	\$150 million
<b>TOTAL .....</b>	<b>\$250 million</b>

*Funding Source:* Foreign Military Financing

(iii) *Description and Quantity or Quantities of Articles or Services under Consideration for Purchase:*

*Major Defense Equipment (MDE):*

One Hundred Ninety-Two (192)  
 M1278A1/A2 Heavy Gun Carriers  
 Joint Light Tactical Vehicles (JLTVs)

*Non-MDE:*

Also included are M153 Common Remote Weapons Stations (CROWS) with Display and Control Panels (DCP); M2 Quick Change Barrels (QCBs) .50 caliber machine guns; MK19 40mm grenade launchers; M2A1 machine guns; M4A1 Joint Chemical Agent Detectors; AN/VAS-5B(V)2 Driver's Vision Enhancers (DVE); JLTV kits; special tools to support the JLTV; JLTV spare parts; M205 gun mounts; basic issue items for CROWS; CROWS DCP retrofit kits; AN/VRC-104 radio kits; 16 port network switch kits; Silent Watch energy storage kits; DVE installation kits; M4A1 detector kits; M1114 turret rings and hatches; Maintenance Support Devices (MSD) with wireless at-platform test sets; Driver Vision Enhancer (DVE) sensor modules; display control modules; bracket assembly; electronics components assembly; CROWS appended trainers; CROWS diagnostic kits; CROWS maintenance tool sets; M2 Small Arms Tool Kits; MK19 Small Arms Tool Kits; M2 spare parts; MK93 weapon mounts; Toughbook laptops with interactive electronic technical manuals (IETM) and cables; JLTV contractor spare parts support; CROW Systems spare parts support; Maintenance Support Items (MSI) in support of MK19; MK19 Mod III spare parts support; CROWS spare parts; CROWS Basic Issue Items (BII) boresight kit components; Total Package Fielding; Field Service Representative support; U.S. government technical assistance; training; technical publications/manuals; and other related elements of logistics and program support.

(iv) *Military Department:* Army (LO-B-UDI)

(v) *Prior Related Cases, if any:* None

(vi) *Sales Commission, Fee, etc., Paid, Offered, or Agreed to be Paid:* None known at this time

(vii) *Sensitivity of Technology Contained in the Defense Article or Defense Services Proposed to be Sold:* See Attached Annex

(viii) *Date Report Delivered to Congress:* May 9, 2023

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

*POLICY JUSTIFICATION*

*Slovakia—M1278A1/A2 Heavy Gun Carriers Joint Light Tactical Vehicles (JLTVs)*

The Government of Slovakia has requested to buy one hundred ninety-two (192) M1278A1/A2 Heavy Gun Carriers Joint Light Tactical Vehicles (JLTVs) as well as M153 Common Remote Weapons Stations (CROWS) with Display and Control Panels (DCP); M2 Quick Change Barrels (QCB) .50 caliber machine guns; MK19 40mm grenade launchers; M2A1 machine guns; M4A1 Joint Chemical Agent Detectors; AN/VAS-5B(V)2 Driver's Vision Enhancers (DVE); JLTV kits; special tools to support the JLTV; JLTV spare parts; M205 gun mounts; basic issue items for CROWS; CROWS DCP retrofit kits; AN/VRC-104 radio kits; 16 port network switch kits; Silent Watch energy storage kits; DVE installation kits; M4A1 detector kits; M1114 turret rings and hatches; Maintenance Support Devices (MSD) with wireless at-platform test sets; Driver's Vision Enhancer (DVE) sensor modules; display control modules; bracket assembly; electronics components assembly; CROWS appended trainers; CROWS diagnostic kits; CROWS maintenance tool sets; M2 Small Arms Tool Kits; Small Arms MK19 Tool Kits; M2 spare parts; MK93 weapon mounts; Toughbook laptops with interactive electronic technical manuals (IETM) and cables; JLTV contractor spare parts support; CROW Systems spare parts support; Maintenance Support Items (MSI) in support of MK19; MK19 Mod III spare parts support; CROWS spare parts; CROWS Basic Issue Items (BII) boresight kit components; Total Package Fielding; Field Service Representative support; U.S. government technical assistance; training; technical publications/manuals; and other related elements of logistics and program support. The estimated cost is \$250 million.

This proposed sale will support the foreign policy and national security objectives of the United States by helping to improve the security of a NATO Ally that is a force for political stability and economic progress in Europe.

The proposed sale will improve Slovakia's capability to meet current and future threats by providing the Slovak Land Forces with vehicles to support increased mobility and enhanced protection for ground units. The JLTV procurement would also enable divestiture of Russian-produced equipment, as JLTVs would replace Soviet-era personnel carriers. Procurement of the JLTV would

represent a major milestone in Slovakia's goal of developing a capable, twenty-first century military which can meet its national defense needs and effectively contribute to NATO operations. Slovakia will have no difficulty absorbing this equipment into its armed forces.

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

The principal contractors will be Oshkosh Corporation and Oshkosh Defense, LLC in Oshkosh, Wisconsin. There are no known offset agreements in connection with this potential sale.

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

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

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Notice of Proposed Issuance of Letter of Offer Pursuant to Section 36(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act

Annex

Item No. vii

(vii) *Sensitivity of Technology:*

1. The Joint Light Tactical Vehicle (JLTV) program is a light tactical vehicle designed to replace the U.S. military's aging High Mobility Multipurpose Wheeled Vehicle fleet. It was designed to close the existing gap in payload, performance, and protection with our adversaries during multi-domain operations. It is an optimal choice for a spectrum of light tactical vehicle missions anywhere in the world. All JLTV mission variants include a strong balance of protection, maneuverability, speed, reliability, and combat support/ combat service support capability that far surpasses any similar vehicle in its weight class today.

2. The JLTV is designed to be a system of systems. The Joint Light Tactical Vehicle uses a modular design that allows it to integrate with various materiel and equipment used by U.S. forces in tactical operations.

3. The JLTV has inherent armor built into the base vehicle referred to as A-Kit armor. This A-Kit inherent armor provides both opaque and transparent armor solutions to provide 360-degree azimuthal (*i.e.*, all around) protection from a wide variety of kinetic energy and small arms fire threats. Vehicle survivability enhancements include Automatic Fire Extinguishing Protection and structural rollover protection of 150 percent of the vehicle Ground Vehicle Weight Rating.

4. The AN/VAS-5 Driver's Vision Enhancer is a compact thermal camera providing armored vehicle drivers with day or nighttime visual awareness in clear or reduced vision (fog, smoke, dust) situations. The system provides the driver a 180-degree viewing angle using a high-resolution infrared sensor and image stabilization to reduce the effect of shock and vibration. The viewer and monitor are ruggedized for operation in tactical environments.

5. The Common Remote Operated Weapon Station (CROWS) is an externally mounted weapon mounting and control system that allows the gunner to remain protected inside the vehicle while firing a variety of crew served weapons. The CROWS provides remote day and night sighting and ballistic control capacity, providing first-burst engagement of targets at maximum effective weapon range while on the move.

6. The highest level of classification of defense articles, components, and services included in this potential sale is SECRET.

7. If a technologically advanced adversary were to obtain knowledge of the specific hardware and software elements, the information could be used to develop countermeasures that might reduce weapon system effectiveness or be used in the development of a system with similar or advanced capabilities.

8. A determination has been made that Slovakia can provide the same degree of protection for the sensitive technology being released as the U.S. Government. This sale is necessary in furtherance of the U.S. foreign policy and national security objectives outlined in the Policy Justification.

9. All defense articles and services listed in this transmittal are authorized for release and export to the Government of Slovakia.

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## DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

[Docket No.: ED-2024-SCC-0089]

### Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission to the Office of Management and Budget for Review and Approval; Comment Request; Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF) I, II and III Data Collection Form

**AGENCY:** Office of Postsecondary Education (OPE), Department of Education (ED).

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995, the Department is proposing a revision of a currently approved information collection request (ICR).

**DATES:** Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before October 28, 2024.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments and recommendations for proposed information collection requests should be submitted within 30 days of publication of this notice. Click on this link [www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain](http://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain) to access the site. Find this information collection request (ICR) by selecting "Department of Education" under "Currently Under Review," then check the "Only Show ICR for Public Comment" checkbox. *Reginfo.gov* provides two links to view documents related to this information collection request. Information collection forms and instructions may be found by clicking on the "View Information Collection (IC) List" link. Supporting statements and other supporting documentation may be found by clicking on the "View Supporting Statement and Other Documents" link.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For specific questions related to collection activities, please contact Gaby Watts, 202-987-0429.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Department is especially interested in public comment addressing the following issues: (1) is this collection necessary to the proper functions of the Department; (2) will this information be processed and used in a timely manner; (3) is the estimate of burden accurate; (4) how might the Department enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (5) how might the Department minimize the burden of this collection on the respondents, including through the use of information technology. Please note that written comments received in response to this notice will be considered public records.

*Title of Collection:* Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF) I, II and III Data Collection Form.

*OMB Control Number:* 1840-0850.

*Type of Review:* A revision of a currently approved ICR.

*Respondents/Affected Public:* State, Local, and Tribal Governments; Private Sector.

*Total Estimated Number of Annual Responses:* 270.

*Total Estimated Number of Annual Burden Hours:* 2,160.

*Abstract:* Under the current unprecedented national health emergency, the legislative and executive

branches of government have come together to offer relief to those individuals and industries affected by the COVID-19 virus under the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act, the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act (CRRSAA), and the American Rescue Plan (ARP). In each of these statutes, targeted relief to institutions of higher education (IHEs) was made available under the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF). HEERF, originally established by section 18004(a) of the CARES Act, Public Law 116-136 (March 27, 2020) and expanded through CRRSAA and ARP, authorizes the Secretary of Education to allocate formula grant funds to participating IHEs to address impacts of the COVID-19 virus.

This information collection requests approval for a revision to a previously approved collection that includes annual reporting requirements to comply with the requirements of the HEERF program and obtain information on how the funds were used. The revision simplifies the collection by substantially reducing the number of items because specific grant activities within HEERF have expired and many of the items have become moot. In accordance with the Recipients Funding Certification and Agreements executed by HEERF grantees, the Secretary may specify additional forms of reporting.

Dated: September 24, 2024.

**Kun Mullan,**

*PRA Coordinator, Strategic Collections and Clearance, Governance and Strategy Division, Office of Chief Data Officer, Office of Planning, Evaluation and Policy Development.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Request for Information To Release a Solicitation for Certification and Allocation of Credits Under the Civil Nuclear Credit Program

**AGENCY:** Grid Deployment Office, Department of Energy.

**ACTION:** Request for information (RFI).

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE or the Department) is issuing this RFI to request information from interested parties of DOE's intent to release a solicitation for applications, and to seek advance notice of an intent to submit applications in the form of a Letter of Interest (LOI), from nuclear reactor owners or operators for certification and allocation of credits