

## **POLICY JUSTIFICATION**

### **Sweden – Avionics Modernization Program Upgrade of C-130H Aircraft**

The Government of Sweden has requested a possible sale of upgrade services for eight C-130H aircraft. The Avionics Modernization Program upgrade includes navigation, communications, LCD displays with a heads-up display, software development/integration, associated support equipment, modification kits, spare and repair parts, test equipment, publications and technical documentation, personnel training and training equipment, U.S. Government and contractor engineering and logistics personnel services and other related elements of logistics support. The estimated cost is \$120 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 Europe.

This proposed sale would ensure the capability of performing all-weather, around the clock, combat delivery missions. The C-130H system requires upgrades to radar, navigation and communication systems, as well as the man-machine interface. Sweden will have no difficulty absorbing the upgraded aircraft into its armed forces.

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

The prime contractor will be the Boeing Company of Long Beach, California. One or more proposed offset agreements may be related to this proposed sale.

Implementation of this sale will not require the assignment of any additional U.S. Government personnel or contractor representatives to Sweden.

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

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#### **DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**

##### **Office of the Secretary**

##### **Meeting of the Advisory Council on Dependents' Education**

**AGENCY:** Department of Defense Education Activity (DoDEA), DoD.

**ACTION:** Open meeting notice.

**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act, Appendix 2 of title 5, United States Code, Public Law 92-463, notice is hereby given that a meeting of the Advisory Council on Dependents' Education (ACDE) is scheduled to be held on September 24, 2004, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. The meeting will be held at the DoDEA headquarters building at 4040 North Fairfax Drive, Arlington, Virginia 22203. The purpose of the ACDE is to recommend to the Director, DoDEA, general policies for

the operation of the Department of Defense Dependents Schools (DoDDS); to provide the Director with information about effective educational programs and practices that should be considered by DoDDS; and to perform other tasks as may be required by the Secretary of Defense. The meeting emphases will be the current operational qualities of DoDDS and the institutionalized school improvement processes, as well as other educational matters. For further information contact Mr. Jim Jarrard, at (703) 588-3121 or at [James.Jarrard@hq.dodea.edu](mailto:James.Jarrard@hq.dodea.edu).

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#### **DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**

##### **Department of the Army; Corps of Engineers**

##### **Notice of Availability for the Final Environmental Impact Statement/Environmental Impact Report for the Pier J South Marine Terminal Expansion Project, Los Angeles County, CA**

**AGENCY:** Department of the Army—U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, DoD.

**ACTION:** Notice of availability.

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Los Angeles District (Regulatory Branch), in coordination with the Port of Long Beach, has completed a Final Environmental Impact Statement/Environmental Impact Report (EIS/EIR) for the Pier J South Marine Terminal Expansion project. The Port of Long Beach requires authorization pursuant to section 404 of the Clean Water Act and section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act for 115 acres