

Category	Description
350/650	Cotton & man-made fiber dressing gowns & robes
351/651	Cotton & man-made fiber nightwear & pajamas
352/652	Cotton & man-made fiber underwear
359-S/659-S	Cotton & man-made fiber swimwear
363	Cotton terry & other pile towels
369pt./666pt.	Curtains & drapery
443	Men's & boys' wool suits
447	Men's & boys' wool trousers
619	Polyester filament fabric
620	Other synthetic filament fabric
634/635	Other men's & boys' man-made fiber coats & women's & girls' man-made fiber coats
638/639	Man-made fiber knit shirts & blouses
647/648	Man-made fiber trousers

The Committee's procedures state that it will make a determination within 60 calendar days of the close of the public comment period as to whether the United States will request consultations with China. The deadlines for determination on these cases range from November 30, 2005, through February 5, 2006.

On November 8, 2005, the Governments of the United States and the People's Republic of China signed a broad agreement concerning textile and apparel products. This Memorandum of Understanding was reached with a view to further developing the bilateral economic and trade relationship between the United States and China, providing the textile and apparel industries in the United States and China with a stable and predictable trading environment, and resolving trade concerns through consultations under Paragraph 242 of the Report of the Working Party for the Accession of China to the World Trade Organization. In light of the Memorandum of Understanding, and consistent with its objectives, the Committee has terminated further consideration of all

textile safeguard requests that were pending on the date the Memorandum of Understanding was signed, November 8, 2005.

James C. Leonard III,
Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

Submission for OBM Review; Comment Request

ACTION: Notice.

The Department of Defense has submitted to OMB for clearance, the following proposal for collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35).

DATES: Consideration will be given to all comments received by December 29, 2005.

Title and OMB Number: Corps of Engineers Civil Works Questionnaires—Generic Clearance; OMB Control Number 0710-0001.

Type of Request: Extension.

Number of Respondents: 185,500.

Responses Per Respondent: 1.

Annual Responses: 185,500.

Average Burden Per Response: 5 minutes (average).

Annual Burden Hours: 17,307.

Needs and Uses: The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers utilizes the data collected from the questionnaire items for planning data to formulate and evaluate alternative water resources development plans, to determine the effectiveness and evaluate the impacts of Corps projects, and in case of the flood damage mitigation, to obtain information on flood damage incurred, whether or not a project is being considered or exists. All survey questionnaires are administered either by face-to-face, mail, or telephone methods. Public surveys are used to gather data for planning and operating Corps projects and facilities and to determine public preferences and satisfaction.

Affected Public: Individuals or households; business or other for-profit;

not-for-profit institutions; farms; and state, local or tribal government.

Frequency: On occasion.

Respondent's Obligation: Voluntary.

OMB Desk Officer: Mr. James Laity.

Written comments and recommendations on the proposed information collection should be sent to Mr. Laity at the Office of Management and Budget, Desk Officer for DoD, Room 10236, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503.

DOD Clearance Officer: Ms. Patricia Toppings. Written requests for copies of the information collection proposal should be sent to Ms. Toppings at WHS/ESD/Information Management Division, 1777 North Kent Street, RPN, Suite 11000, Arlington, VA 22209-2133.

Dated: November 21, 2005.

Patricia L. Toppings,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

[Transmittal No. 06-14]

36(b)(1) Arms Sales Notification

AGENCY: Department of Defense, Defense Security Cooperation Agency.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of Defense is publishing the unclassified text of a section 36(b)(1) arms sales notification. This is published to fulfill the requirements of section 155 of Public Law 104-164 dated 21 July 1996.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. J. Hurd, DSCA/DBO/ADM, (703) 604-6575.

The following is a copy of a letter to the Speaker of the House of Representatives, Transmittal 06-14 with attached transmittal and policy justification.

Dated: November 21, 2005.

Patricia L. Toppings,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEFENSE SECURITY COOPERATION AGENCY

WASHINGTON, DC 20301-2800

14 NOV 2005

In reply refer to:

I-05/0118084

The Honorable J. Dennis Hastert
Speaker of the House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515-6501

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. 06-14, concerning the Department of the Navy's proposed Letter(s) of Offer and Acceptance to Finland for defense articles and services estimated to cost \$100 million. Soon after this letter is delivered to your office, we plan to notify the news media.

Sincerely,


Richard J. Millies
Deputy Director

Enclosures:

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

Same ltr to:

House

Committee on International Relations
Committee on Armed Services
Committee on Appropriations

Senate

Committee on Foreign Relations
Committee on Armed Services
Committee on Appropriations

Transmittal No. 06-14

**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:** Finland
- (ii) **Total Estimated Value:**
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| Major Defense Equipment* | \$ 75 million |
| Other | \$ <u>25 million</u> |
| TOTAL | \$100 million |
- (iii) **Description and Quantity or Quantities of Articles or Services under Consideration for Purchase:** up to 150 AIM-9X SIDEWINDER Missiles, 11 AIM-9X Dummy Air Training Missiles, 40 AIM-9X Captive Air Training Missiles, missile containers, 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.
- (iv) **Military Department:** Navy (AAI)
- (v) **Prior Related Cases, if any:** FMS case SAB - 21Jan94
- (vi) **Sales Commission, Fee, etc., Paid, Offered, or Agreed to be Paid:** none
- (vii) **Sensitivity of Technology Contained in the Defense Article or Defense Services Proposed to be Sold:** See Annex attached.
- (viii) **Date Report Delivered to Congress:** 14 NOV 2005

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

POLICY JUSTIFICATION

Finland - AIM-9X SIDEWINDER Missiles

The Government of Finland has requested a possible sale of up to 150 AIM-9X SIDEWINDER Missiles, 11 AIM-9X Dummy Air Training Missiles, 40 AIM-9X Captive Air Training Missiles, missile containers, 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 \$100 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.

Finland intends to integrate the AIM-9X SIDEWINDER missile onto its existing fleet of F/A-18 aircraft as part of its aircraft mid-life upgrade program. Incorporation of the missiles onto Finnish F/A-18 aircraft will significantly enhance the Air Force's current air-to-air intercept capability. Finland, which already has SIDEWINDER missiles in its inventory, will have no difficulty absorbing these items.

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

The prime contractor will be Raytheon Systems Corporation of Tucson, Arizona. Offset agreements associated with this proposed sale are expected, but at this time the specific offset agreements are undetermined and will be defined in negotiations between the purchaser and contractor.

Implementation of this proposed sale will require the assignment of several additional U.S. Government and contractor representatives for two-week intervals twice annually to participate in training, program management and technical review.

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

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of the Arms Export Control Act, as amended****Annex
Item No. vii****(vii) Sensitivity of Technology:**

1. The AIM-9X represents a substantial increase in missile acquisition and kinematics performance over previous variants AIM-9. The missile includes a high off-boresight seeker, enhanced countermeasure rejection capability, low drag/high angle of attack airframe, and the ability to integrate the Joint Helmet Mounted Cueing System. The software algorithms are the most sensitive portions of the AIM-9X missile. The software continues to be modified during the testing phase in order to improve its counter-countermeasures capabilities. No software source code or algorithms will be released. Sensitive and/or classified (up to Secret) elements of the AIM-9X missiles include equipment/hardware, software, training, maintenance, documentation, and operation/performance.

2. The external view of the AIM-9X SIDEWINDER missile is unclassified and not sensitive. The seeker/guidance and control section and the target detector are confidential and contain sensitive state-of-the-art technology. Specifically, the infrared seeker sensitivity is a significant improvement over the previous AIM-9 variants. Manuals and technical documents for the AIM-9X that are necessary or support operational use and organizational maintenance, improved acquisition range, and the ability to integrate with aircraft sensors are classified up to Secret. Performance and operating logic of the counter-countermeasures circuits are Secret. The hardware, software, and data identified are classified to protect vulnerabilities, design and performance parameters and similar critical information.

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