

POLICY JUSTIFICATION

United Kingdom – Globemaster III Sustainment Partnership

The Government of the United Kingdom has requested continued participation in the USAF/Boeing Globemaster III Sustainment Partnership which consists of support for the United Kingdom's fleet of six Boeing C-17A Globemaster III cargo aircraft, contractor technical and logistics personnel services, support equipment, spare and repair parts, and other related elements of logistics support. The estimated cost is \$225 million.

The United Kingdom is a major political and economic power in NATO and a key democratic partner of the U.S. in ensuring peace and stability in this region and around the world.

This program will ensure the United Kingdom can effectively maintain its current force projection capability that enhances interoperability with U.S. forces. The United Kingdom is a staunch supporter of the U.S. in Iraq and Afghanistan, and the Global War On Terror (GWOT). The United Kingdom's troops are deployed in support of IRAQI FREEDOM and ENDURING FREEDOM, where U.S. assets currently provide this proposed capability.

The proposed sale of this equipment and support will not affect the basic military balance in the region. The United Kingdom will have no difficulty absorbing this capability into its armed forces.

The principal contractor will be: Boeing Company, of Long Beach, California. There are no known offset agreements proposed in connection with this potential sale.

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

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

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ELECTION ASSISTANCE COMMISSION

Sunshine Act Notice

AGENCY: United States Election Assistance Commission.

ACTION: Notice of Public Meeting and Hearing

DATE AND TIME: Wednesday, April 30, 2008, 10 a.m.—1 p.m.

PLACE: U.S. Election Assistance Commission, 1225 New York Ave., NW., Suite 150, Washington, DC 20005 (Metro Stop: Metro Center).

AGENDA: The Commissioners will consider the following items: Whether to modify Advisory Opinion 07-003-A regarding Maintenance of Effort (MOE) funding, pursuant to HAVA Section 254 (a)(7); whether to update the Michigan state instructions on the national voter registration form. Commissioners will receive a briefing regarding HAVA State Plans. Commissioners will hold a fact gathering hearing regarding Iowa's audit appeal, as part of the audit appeal process established by the Commission. The Commission will consider other administrative matters.

This Meeting Will Be Open to the Public

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