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

(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: December 15, 2023

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

#### POLICY JUSTIFICATION

Government of Japan—AIM–9X Block II Sidewinder Missiles

The Government of Japan has requested to buy forty-four (44) AIM-9X Sidewinder Block II Tactical Missiles; and twenty-nine (29) AIM-9X Sidewinder Captive Air Training Missiles (CATM). Also included are missile containers; spare and repair parts; repair of repairables; support and test equipment; publications and technical documentation; personnel training and training equipment; technical assistance, engineering, and logistics support services; transportation and program support; and other related elements of logistics and program support. The estimated total program cost is \$59.03 million.

This proposed sale will support the foreign policy goals and national security objectives of the United States (U.S.) by improving the security of a major ally that is a force for political stability and economic progress in the Indo-Pacific region.

The proposed sale will improve Japan's capability to meet current and future threats in the region. Providing this missile would complement U.S. capabilities, increase capacity in a high-threat region, and support U.S. and Japanese goals to promote regional stability and the strength of the alliance. Japan will have no difficulty absorbing these articles into its armed forces.

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

The principal contractor will be RTX Corporation, Tucson, AZ. 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 or contractor representatives to Japan.

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

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Annex

Item No. vii

(vii) Sensitivity of Technology: 1. The AIM–9X Block II SIDEWINDER Missile represents a substantial increase in missile acquisition and kinematics performance over the AIM-9M and replaces the AIM-9X Block I Missile configuration. 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 Helmet Mounted Cueing System. The most current AIM-9X Block II Operational Flight Software developed for all International Partner countries, which is authorized by USG Export Policy, provides fifth-generation Infra-Red Missile capabilities such as Lock-On-After-Launch, Weapons Data Link, Surface Attack, and Surface Launch. No software source code or algorithms will be released.

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

  3. If a technologically advanced
- 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 that might reduce weapon system effectiveness or be used in the development of a system with similar or advanced capabilities.

- 4. A determination has been made that Japan can provide substantially 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.
- 5. All defense articles and services listed in this transmittal have been authorized for release and export to Japan.

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#### **DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**

#### Office of the Secretary

[Transmittal No. 23-82]

#### **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:

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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 23–82 and Policy Justification.

Dated: December 16, 2024.

#### Stephanie J. Bost,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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# DEFENSE SECURITY COOPERATION AGENCY

2800 Defense Pentagon Washington, DC 20301-2800

December 15, 2023

The Honorable Mike Johnson 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. 23-82, concerning the Navy's proposed Letter(s) of Offer and Acceptance to the Taipei Economic and Cultural Representative Office in the United States (TECRO) for defense articles and services estimated to cost \$300 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

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## Enclosures:

- 1. Transmittal
- 2. Policy Justification

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Transmittal No. 23-82

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: Taipei Economic and Cultural Representative Office in the United States (TECRO)
- (ii) Total Estimated Value:

  Major Defense Equipment .. \$ 0
  Other ...... \$300 million

TOTAL ...... \$300 million

(iii) Description and Quantity or Quantities of Articles or Services under Consideration for Purchase: Major Defense Equipment (MDE):

None Non-MDE:

Included is follow-on life cycle support to maintain Command, Control, Communications, and Computers (C4) capabilities managed under the Syun An program. The C4 capabilities consisting of previously procured Multifunctional Information

Distribution Systems-Low Volume Terminals (MIDS-LVT) and Joint Tactical Information Distribution System (JTIDS) equipment, as well as procurement of spare and repair parts; repair and return of equipment; technical documentation; personnel training; software and hardware; software development; maintenance of Continental United States (CONUS) technical laboratories; U.S. Government and contract engineering and technical support;

logistics; and other related elements of logistics and program support.

(iv) *Military Department:* Navy (TW–P–GPU)

(v) Prior Related Cases, if any: TW-P-GOS, TW-P-GNU, TW-P-GMK

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

(vii) Sensitivity of Technology Contained in the Defense Article or Defense Services Proposed to be Sold: None

(viii) Date Report Delivered to Congress: December 15, 2023

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#### POLICY JUSTIFICATION

Taipei Economic and Cultural Representative Office in the United States—Command, Control, Communications, and Computers (C4) Life Cycle Support

The Taipei Economic and Cultural Representative Office in the United States (U.S.) (TECRO) has requested to buy follow-on life cycle support to maintain Command, Control, Communications, and Computers (C4) capabilities managed under the Syun An program. The C4 capabilities consisting of previously procured Multifunctional Information Distribution Systems-Low Volume Terminals (MIDS-LVT) and Joint **Tactical Information Distribution** System (JTIDS) equipment, as well as procurement of spare and repair parts; repair and return of equipment; technical documentation; personnel training; software and hardware; software development; maintenance of Continental United States (CONUS)

technical laboratories; U.S. Government and contract engineering and technical support; logistics; and other related elements of logistics and program support. The estimated total cost is \$300 million.

This proposed sale is consistent with U.S. law and policy as expressed in Public Law 96–8.

This proposed sale serves U.S. national, economic, and security interests by supporting the recipient's continuing efforts to modernize its armed forces and to maintain a credible defensive capability. The proposed sale will help improve the security of the recipient and assist in maintaining political stability, military balance, and economic progress in the region.

The proposed sale will improve the recipient's capability to meet current and future threats by enhancing operational readiness and maintenance of its existing C4 capabilities and sustaining capabilities that provide secure flow of tactical information required for the development of a Joint Common Operation Picture. The recipient will have no difficulty absorbing this support and equipment into its inventory.

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

The principal contractor(s) will be determined through U.S. Government competitive processes. There are no known offset agreements proposed in connection with this potential sale.

Implementation of this proposed sale will require an estimated twenty-six (26) U.S. Government personnel and eighty-three (83) U.S. contractor representatives to travel to the recipient, as required, to provide engineering and

technical support services as well as program and technical reviews.

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

[Transmittal No. 24-03]

#### **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.

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