

The amendment (No. 883) was rejected.

MORNING BUSINESS

ARMS SALES NOTIFICATION

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In keeping with the committee's intention to see that relevant information is available to the full Senate, I ask unanimous consent to have printed in the RECORD the notifications which have been received. If the cover letter references a classified annex, then such annex is available to all Senators in the office of the Foreign Relations Committee, room SD-423.

There being no objection, the material was ordered to be printed in the RECORD, as follows:

DEFENSE SECURITY
COOPERATION AGENCY,
Arlington, VA.

Hon. JAMES E. RISCH,
Chairman, Committee on Foreign Relations,
U.S. Senate, Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. CHAIRMAN: Pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(b)(5)(A) of the Arms Export Control Act (AECA), as amended, we are forwarding Transmittal No. 0L-19. This notification relates to enhancements or upgrades from the level of sensitivity of technology or capability described in the Section 36(b)(1) AECA certification 15-26 of April 28, 2015.

Sincerely,

CHARLES W. HOOPER,
Lieutenant General, USA, Director.
Enclosures.

TRANSMITTAL NO. 0L-19

Report of Enhancement or Upgrade of Sensitivity of Technology or Capability (Sec. 36(b)(5)(A), AECA)

(i) Prospective Purchaser: Government of Australia.

(ii) Sec. 36(b)(B)(5)(A) AECA Transmittal No.: 15-26; Date: April 28, 2015; Military Department: Navy.

(iii) Description: On April 28, 2015, Congress was notified by Congressional certification transmittal number 15-26 of the possible sale under Section 36(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act of follow-on sustainment support and services in support of three (3) Hobart Class Destroyers. The sustainment efforts include AEGIS computer software and hardware updates, system integration and testing, tools and test equipment, spare and repair parts, support equipment, publications and technical documentation, personnel training and training equipment, aircrew trainer devices upgrades, U.S. Government and contractor technical assistance, and other related elements of logistics and program support. The estimated cost was \$275 million.

This transmittal reports Australia's request to purchase upgrade kits for their Multifunctional Information Distribution

System (MIDS) Low Volume Terminal (LVT) equipment installed on the Hobart Class Destroyers. The MIDS LVT Block Upgrade 2 (BU2) kits provide a suite of hardware, software and firmware updates for the MIDS LVT units to provide a more robust security and enhanced throughput (higher data rate). The total case value will remain \$275 million.

(iv) Significance: This proposed upgrade to the MIDS LVT will contribute to the modernization of the Royal Australian Navy Hobart Class destroyers, improve the Royal Australian Navy's capability to conduct self-defense and regional security missions, and enhance its interoperability with the U.S. and other NATO members.

(v) Justification: The proposed sale will improve Australia's capability in current and future coalition efforts. Australia will use the enhanced capability as a deterrent to regional threats and to strengthen its homeland defense.

(vi) Sensitivity of Technology: The Multifunctional Information Distribution System-Low Volume Terminal (MIDS-LVT) is an advanced Link-16 command, control, communications, and intelligence (C3I) system incorporating high-capacity, jam-resistant, digital communication links used for exchange of near real-time tactical information, including both data and voice, among air, ground, and sea elements. The terminal hardware, publications, performance specifications, operational capability, parameters, vulnerabilities to countermeasures, and software documentation are classified CONFIDENTIAL. The classified information to be provided consists of that which is necessary for the operation, maintenance, and repair (through intermediate level) of the data link terminal, installed systems, and related software.

(vii) Date Delivered to Congress: June 27, 2019.

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COOPERATION AGENCY,
Arlington, VA.

Hon. JAMES E. RISCH,
Chairman, Committee on Foreign Relations,
U.S. Senate, Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. CHAIRMAN: Pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(b)(5)(A) of the Arms Export Control Act (AECA), as amended, we are forwarding Transmittal No. 0E-19. This notification relates to enhance-

ments or upgrades from the level of sensitivity of technology or capability described in the Section 36(b)(1) AECA certification 17-11 of April 27, 2017.

Sincerely,

CHARLES W. HOOPER,
Lieutenant General, USA, Director.

Enclosures.

TRANSMITTAL NO. 0E-19

Report of Enhancement or Upgrade of Sensitivity of Technology or Capability (Sec. 36(b)(5)(A), AECA)

(i) Prospective Purchaser: Government of Australia.

(ii) Sec 36(b)(B)(5)(A) AECA Transmittal No.: 17-11; Date: April 27, 2017; Military Department: Navy.

(iii) Description: On April 27, 2017, Congress was notified by Congressional certification transmittal number 17-11 of the possible sale under Section 36(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act of up to seventy (70) AGM-88B High Speed Anti-Radiation Missiles (HARM) Tactical Missiles, up to forty (40) AGM-88E Advanced Anti-Radiation Guided Missiles (AARGM) Tactical Missiles; up to sixteen (16) CATM-88B HARM Captive Air Training Missiles (CATM); up to sixteen (16) CATM-88E AARGM CATM; up to twenty-five (25) AGM-88B Control Sections; up to twenty-five (25) AGM-88B Guidance Sections; up to twenty (20) AGM-88E Control Sections; up to twenty (20) AGM-88E Guidance Sections; up to forty eight (48) Telemetry/Flight Termination Systems; U.S. Government and contractor engineering, technical and logistics support services; and other associated support equipment and services. The total estimated cost is \$137.6 million. Major Defense Equipment (MDE) constituted \$100 million of this total.

This transmittal reports an additional configuration of AGM 88-C High Speed Anti-Radiation Missiles (HARM) Tactical Missiles, in addition to the AGM-88B and AGM-88E HARMs previously notified. The "C" configuration missiles would replace up to twenty (20) of the "B" configuration missiles. The MDE value will remain \$100 million. The total case value will remain \$137.6 million.

(iv) Significance: This proposed upgrade to the HARM AGM 88-C will contribute to the modernization of the Royal Australian Air Forces (RAAF) fighter aircraft, improve the RAAF's capability to conduct self-defense and regional security missions, and enhance its interoperability with the U.S. and other NATO members.

(v) Justification: The addition of the AGM-88C to the RAAF inventory will further expand the RAAF's anti-radiation strike capability. AGM-88C procurement will provide capability for Australia to defend its interests at home and abroad.

(vi) Sensitivity of Technology: The major hardware improvement from the AGM-88B to the AGM-88C was a new WDU-37/B warhead with 12800 tungsten alloy fragments and a revised explosive charge.

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