

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 or Section 36(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act, as amended, we are forwarding herewith Transmittal No. 19-68 concerning the Army's proposed Letter(s) of Offer and Acceptance to the Government of the United Arab Emirates for defense articles and services estimated to cost \$556 million. After this letter is delivered to your office, we plan to issue a news release to notify the public of this proposed sale.

Sincerely,

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

Enclosures:

TRANSMITTAL NO. 19-68

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: Government of the United Arab Emirates.

(ii) Total Estimated Value:

Major Defense Equipment* \$0 million.

Other \$556 million.

Total \$556 million.

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

Major Defense Equipment (MDE): None.

Non-MDE: Four thousand five hundred sixty-nine (4,569) Mine Resistant Ambush Protected (MRAP) Vehicles consisting of a mix of MaxxPro Long Wheel Base (LWB), MaxxPro Recovery Vehicle (MRV), MaxxPro LWB chassis, MaxxPro Dash, MaxxPro Bases Capsule, MaxxPro MEAP Capsules, MaxxPro Plus, Caiman Multi-Terrain Vehicles without armor, Caiman Base, Caiman Plus, Caiman Capsule, and MRAP All-Terrain Vehicles (MATV), logistics support services, and other related elements of logistical and program support.

(iv) Military Department: Army.

(v) Prior Related Cases, if any: AE-B-IBA and AE-B-ZVA.

(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 Attached Annex.

(viii) Date Report Delivered to Congress: May 7, 2020.

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

POLICY JUSTIFICATION

United Arab Emirates (UAE)—Mine Resistant Ambush Protected (MRAP) Vehicles

The Government of the United Arab Emirates has requested the sale of Excess Defense Articles (EDA) of up to four thousand five hundred sixty-nine (4,569) MRAP vehicles consisting of a mix of MaxxPro Long Wheel Base (LWB), MaxxPro Recovery Vehicle (MRV), MaxxPro LWB chassis, MaxxPro Dash, MaxxPro Bases Capsule, MaxxPro MEAP Capsules, MaxxPro Plus, Caiman Multi-Terrain Vehicles without armor,

Caiman Base, Caiman Plus, Caiman Capsule, and MRAP All-Terrain Vehicles (MATV), logistics support services, and other related elements of logistical and program support. The estimated total program cost is \$556 million.

The proposed sale will support the foreign policy and national security objectives of the United States by helping to improve the security of an important regional partner. The UAE has been, and continues to be, a vital U.S. partner for political stability and economic progress in the Middle East. This sale is consistent with U.S. initiatives to provide key allies in the region with modern systems that will enhance interoperability with U.S. forces and increase security.

The UAE intends to utilize the MRAP vehicles to increase force protection, to conduct humanitarian assistance operations, and to protect critical infrastructure. Additionally, these MRAPs will enhance the UAE's burden sharing capacity and defensive capabilities. The UAE will have no difficulty absorbing this equipment and support into its armed forces.

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

These vehicles will be coming from U.S. Army stocks as EDA; the required EDA Congressional Notifications were made August 6, 2014. There are no known offset agreements proposed in conjunction with this proposed sale.

Implementation of this sale will not require the assignment of U.S. Government or contractor representatives to the UAE.

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 Mine Resistant Ambush Protected (MRAP) vehicle is an armored, multipurpose combat vehicle intended to support mounted urban operations to include convoy security support and dismounted patrols. It is designed to increase crew survivability. The vehicle has a blast-resistant underbody designed to protect the crew from mine blasts, fragmentation, and direct fire weapons.

2. All MRAP vehicle information needed to operate, train, and maintain the vehicles are UNCLASSIFIED. Some design and test data, design performance parameters, armoring methodology, vulnerabilities, armor types, and configuration can be classified up to SECRET.

3. Loss of this hardware, software, documentation, and/or data could permit development of information which may lead to a significant threat to future U.S. military operations. If a technologically advanced adversary were to obtain knowledge of the specific hardware and software elements, the information could be used to develop countermeasures or equivalent systems which 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 the UAE can provide substantially the same degree of protection for this technology as the U.S. Government. This proposed sale is necessary in furtherance of the U.S. foreign policy and national security objectives outlined in the Policy Justification.

5. All of the defense articles and services listed in this transmittal have been authorized for release and export to the UAE.

ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

REMEMBERING SCOTT MCCORMICK

● Mr. BOOZMAN. Mr. President, I rise today to honor the life of Crossett, AR, Mayor Scott McCormick. Mayor McCormick passed away on April 16, 2020.

Mayor McCormick spent his life serving his community. He was a proud member of the Crossett Police Department who joined the force in 1978. In the two decades that followed, he honorably performed numerous roles including working as a criminal investigator. He earned the rank of captain before he left the department in 1998 after 20 years of protecting the citizens of Crossett.

Mayor McCormick was dedicated to his community and continued working for the people. Shortly after hanging up his badge, he was elected mayor of Crossett, and the public went on to place its trust in his leadership five additional times.

He was certainly beloved. The citizens of Crossett appreciated his commitment and hands-on approach which he demonstrated by attending numerous events throughout the years, being available to citizens and revealing a willingness to listen.

His leadership was also valuable to organizations across the State. He was a member of the Arkansas Municipal League's Executive Council, First Class Cities Advisory Council, and the Public Safety Advisory Council, in addition to other groups.

He inspired the people of Crossett to work together in support of the community and encouraged respect for all citizens.

I am grateful for Mayor McCormick's decades of public service and for the way he devoted his life to his faith, family, and community. I pray God will bless the McCormick family and the people of Crossett as they cope with this loss and celebrate the life of Mayor Scott McCormick. ●

50TH ANNIVERSARY OF HOT SPRINGS VILLAGE

● Mr. BOOZMAN. Mr. President, I rise today to recognize the 50th anniversary of Hot Springs Village, AR.

On April 20, 1970, developer John Cooper founded Hot Springs Village as a premier retirement destination. In the decades since residents first moved in, it has grown into one of the largest private gated communities in the country.

To recognize this milestone, the community organized a year-long celebration spearheaded by the 50th Anniversary Planning Committee. Committee

members began laying the groundwork for the activities months ago, engaging with the chamber of commerce as well as local businesses, churches, and civic clubs to make this a year to remember.

The enthusiasm from community members is demonstrated by the special logo created to commemorate this occasion that features the phrase "Proud Past and Strong Future."

Hot Springs Village continues to welcome new residents including young professionals. Numerous outdoor opportunities which include nature trails, tennis courts and golf courses provide avenues to maintain a healthy lifestyle, build camaraderie among folks who enjoy the same activities and the opportunity to learn new skills.

The men and women who call Hot Springs Village home have a lot to be grateful for. They have helped shape the city and made it an attractive destination for events and for future residents.

Congratulations to the 50th Anniversary Planning Committee members for their hard work and preparation. I am excited for the community as it comes together to recognize and commemorate this historic milestone and wish all the very best as celebrations take place throughout the year.●

IOWA SAFE SCHOOLS

● Ms. ERNST. Mr. President, I would like to recognize Iowa Safe Schools as they hold their 15th annual Iowa Governor's Conference on LGBTQ Youth today, May 11, 2020.

This annual tradition, which began in 2006, is an effort to help end bullying in our schools and to create leadership opportunities for LGBTQ youth students from not just Iowa but from States across the Midwest.

Thank you to Iowa Safe Schools for continuing your mission of providing a safe environment and community for Iowa's LGBTQ youth to learn and grow.●

MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Messages from the President of the United States were communicated to the Senate by Ms. Roberts, one of his secretaries.

EXECUTIVE MESSAGES REFERRED

In executive session the Presiding Officer laid before the Senate messages from the President of the United States submitting sundry nominations which were referred to the appropriate committees.

(The messages received today are printed at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with

accompanying papers, reports, and documents, and were referred as indicated:

EC-4452. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on the continuation of the national emergency that was originally declared in Executive Order 13338 of May 11, 2004, with respect to the actions of the Government of Syria; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4453. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on the continuation of the national emergency that was originally declared in Executive Order 13667 of May 12, 2014, with respect to the Central African Republic; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4454. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on the continuation of the national emergency that was originally declared in Executive Order 13611 of May 16, 2012, with respect to Yemen; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. BARRASSO, from the Committee on Environment and Public Works, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 3590. A bill to amend the Safe Drinking Water Act to reauthorize certain provisions, and for other purposes.

S. 3591. A bill to provide for improvements to the rivers and harbors of the United States, to provide for the conservation and development of water and related resources, to provide for water pollution control activities and for other purposes.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills and joint resolutions were introduced, read the first and second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

By Mr. WYDEN (for himself, Mr. BROWN, Mr. SCHATZ, and Mr. CASEY):

S. 3672. A bill to provide States and Indian Tribes with flexibility in administering the temporary assistance for needy families program due to the public health emergency with respect to the Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19), to make emergency grants to States and Indian Tribes to provide financial support for low-income individuals affected by that public health emergency, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. HAWLEY:

S. 3673. A bill to investigate the role of the Chinese Communist Party in the novel coronavirus global pandemic and to secure damages on behalf of victims in the United States and abroad; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. HAWLEY:

S. 3674. A bill to amend title 28, United States Code, to strip foreign sovereign immunity of certain foreign states to secure justice for victims of novel coronavirus in the United States; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. BURR (for himself and Mr. WARNER):

S. 3675. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to expand the treatment of moving expenses to employees and new appointees in the intelligence community who move pursuant to a change in assignment

that requires relocation; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. WYDEN:

S. 3676. A bill to extend certain temporary credit union provisions enacted under the CARES Act, to include an exception for disaster area member business loans made by insured credit unions, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Ms. BALDWIN (for herself, Ms. DUCKWORTH, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. BROWN, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. MARKEY, Ms. HARRIS, Ms. WARREN, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. KING, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. WYDEN, Ms. SMITH, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. MENENDEZ, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. CASEY, Mr. BOOKER, Mr. KAINE, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mr. REED, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. SCHATZ, Ms. HIRONO, Mr. PETERS, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. COONS, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. MERKLEY, Mr. UDALL, Mr. CARDIN, and Mr. HEINRICH):

S. 3677. A bill to require the Occupational Safety and Health Administration to promulgate an emergency temporary standard to protect employees from occupational exposure to SARS-CoV-2, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. MORAN (for himself, Mr. TESTER, Mr. CASSIDY, Mr. TILLIS, Mr. ROUNDS, Mrs. BLACKBURN, Ms. SINEMA, Mr. BOOKER, Mr. BROWN, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mrs. MURRAY, Mrs. LOEFFLER, Ms. HIRONO, and Mr. INHOFE):

S. 3678. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for payment of work-study allowances during a public health emergency relating to COVID-19 and for allowances to veterans enrolled in educational institutions closed for emergency situations, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Ms. DUCKWORTH (for herself, Mr. SCOTT of South Carolina, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. BRAUN, Mr. WYDEN, Mr. LANFORD, Ms. SMITH, and Ms. ERNST):

S. 3679. A bill to require the Internal Revenue Service to establish a procedure by which parents may immediately claim the recovery rebate amount for children born in 2020; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. DUCKWORTH (for herself, Mr. BOOKER, and Mr. CARPER):

S. 3680. A bill to require the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency to continue to carry out certain programs relating to environmental justice, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. BLUMENTHAL (for Mr. MARKEY (for himself and Mr. BLUMENTHAL)):

S. 3681. A bill to require a joint task force on the operation of air travel during and after COVID-19 pandemic, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. ROUNDS:

S. 3682. A bill to provide States, Tribal governments, and local governments with spending discretion for part of their Coronavirus Relief Fund payment; to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. GRAHAM (for himself, Mr. BRAUN, Mr. DAINES, Mrs. HYDE-SMITH, Mr. SCOTT of Florida, Mr. TILLIS, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. WICKER, and Mr. YOUNG):

S. 3683. A bill to authorize the imposition of sanctions with respect to the People's Republic of China for its obstruction or failure to cooperate in investigations relating to the