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## House of Representatives

The House was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Tuesday, December 9, 2025, at 12 p.m.

## Senate

MONDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2025

The Senate met at 6:48 p.m. and was called to order by the Honorable PETE RICKETTS, a Senator from the State of Nebraska.

### APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will please read a communication to the Senate from the President pro tempore (Mr. GRASSLEY).

The senior assistant legislative clerk read the following letter:

U.S. SENATE,  
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,  
Washington, DC, December 8, 2025.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable PETE RICKETTS, a Senator from the State of Nebraska, to perform the duties of the Chair.

CHUCK GRASSLEY,  
*President pro tempore.*

Mr. RICKETTS thereupon assumed the Chair as Acting President pro tempore.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. The majority leader.

### CONCLUSION OF MORNING BUSINESS

Mr. THUNE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the morning hour be deemed expired.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Without objection, it is so ordered.

### JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS

Mr. THUNE. I ask unanimous consent that the Journal of proceedings be approved to date.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Without objection, it is so ordered.

### RESERVATION OF LEADER TIME

Mr. THUNE. I ask unanimous consent that the time for the two leaders be reserved for their use later in the day.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Without objection, it is so ordered.

### MORNING BUSINESS

Mr. THUNE. I ask unanimous consent that the Senate be in a period of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak therein for up to 10 minutes each.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Without objection, it is so ordered.

### ARMS SALES NOTIFICATION

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

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COOPERATION AGENCY,  
Washington, DC.

Hon. MIKE JOHNSON,  
*Speaker, House of Representatives,*  
Washington, DC.

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. 25-98, concerning the Air Force's proposed Letter(s) of Offer and Acceptance to the Government of Canada for defense articles and services estimated to cost \$2.68 billion. We will issue a news release to notify the public of this proposed sale upon delivery of this letter to your office.

Sincerely,

MICHAEL F. MILLER,  
*Director.*

Enclosures.

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*Chairman, Committee on Foreign Relations,*  
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TRANSMITTAL NO. 25-98

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(i) Prospective Purchaser: Government of Canada.

(ii) Total Case Estimated Value:

Major Defense Equipment \* \$2.20 billion.

Other \$ .48 billion.

Total \$2.68 billion.

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

Major Defense Equipment (MDE):

Up to seven hundred fifty (750) GBU-39 practice bombs inert with fuzes.

Up to one hundred (100) GBU-39 Guided Test Vehicles (GTVs).

Up to one hundred (100) MK-82 inert filled bombs.

Up to two hundred twenty (220) 2,000-lb BLU-117 General Purpose (GP) bombs.

Up to one hundred forty-six (146) 1-2000 penetrator warheads.

Up to three thousand four hundred fourteen (3,414) BLU-111 500-lb GP bombs.

Up to three thousand one hundred eight (3,108) GBU-39/B Small Diameter Bomb Increment I (SDB-I) bombs.

Up to five thousand three hundred thirty-two (5,352) KMU-572 Joint Direct Attack Munition (JDAM) guidance sets.

Up to three hundred ninety-six (396) KMU-556 JDAM guidance sets.

Up to one hundred forty (140) KMU-557 JDAM guidance sets.

Up to two thousand four (2,004) GBU-53 SDBs—Increment II (SDB-II).

Up to one hundred (100) GBU-53 SDB-II GTVs.

Non-Major Defense Equipment: The following non-MDE items will also be included: FMU-139 fuze systems; FMU-167 Hard Target Void Sensing Fuzes (HTVSF); DSU-38 laser illuminated target detectors for GBU-54; practice bombs; ammunition tools and special equipment; major and minor modifications equipment; spare and repair parts, consumables and accessories, and repair and return support; weapons and weapon support equipment; test equipment; training aids, devices, and spare parts; classified and unclassified software and software support; classified and unclassified publications and technical

documentation; U.S. Government and contractor technical, engineering, and logistics personnel services; and other related elements of logistics and program support.

(iv) Military Department: Air Force (CN-D-QDH).

(v) Prior Related Cases, if any: None.

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

(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 4, 2025.

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

#### POLICY JUSTIFICATION

##### Canada—Air Strike Weapons

The Government of Canada has requested to buy up to seven hundred fifty (750) GBU-39 practice bombs inert with fuzes; up to one hundred (100) GBU-39 Guided Test Vehicles (GTVs); up to one hundred (100) MK-82 inert filled bombs; up to two hundred twenty (220) 2,000-lb BLU-117 General Purpose (GP) bombs; up to one hundred forty-six (146) 1-2000 penetrator warheads; up to three thousand four hundred fourteen (3,414) BLU-111 500-lb GP bombs; up to three thousand one hundred eight (3,108) GBU-39 Small Diameter Bomb Increment I (SDB-I) bombs; up to five thousand three hundred thirty-two (5,352) KMU-572 Joint Direct Attack Munition (JDAM) guidance sets; up to three hundred ninety-six (396) KMU-556 JDAM guidance sets; up to one hundred forty (140) KMU-557 JDAM guidance sets; up to two thousand four (2,004) GBU-53 SDBs—Increment II (SDB-II); and up to one hundred (100) GBU-53 SDB-II GTVs. The following non-MDE items will also be included: FMU-139 fuze systems; FMU-167 Hard Target Void Sensing Fuzes (HTVSF); DSU-38 laser illuminated target detectors for GBU-54; practice bombs; ammunition tools and special equipment; major and minor modifications equipment; spare and repair parts, consumables and accessories, and repair and return support; weapons and weapon support equipment; test equipment; training aids, devices, and spare parts; classified and unclassified software and software support; classified and unclassified publications and technical documentation; U.S. Government and contractor technical, engineering, and logistics personnel services; and other related elements of logistics and program support. The estimated total cost is \$2.68 billion.

This proposed sale will support the foreign policy and national security objectives of the United States by helping to improve the military capability of a NATO Ally that is an important force for ensuring political stability and economic progress and is a contributor to military, peacekeeping, and humanitarian operations around the world.

The proposed sale will improve Canada's credible defense capability to deter aggression in the region, ensure interoperability with U.S. forces, and strengthen Canada's ability to contribute to shared continental defense. Canada will have no difficulty absorbing this equipment into its armed forces.

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

The principal contractors will be The Boeing Company, located in Arlington, VA; and RTX Corporation, located in Arlington, VA. At this time, the U.S. Government is not aware of any offset agreement proposed in connection with this potential sale. Any offset agreement will be defined in negotiations between the purchaser and the contractor.

Implementation of this proposed sale will not require the assignment of any additional

U.S. Government or contractor representatives to Canada.

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

TRANSMITTAL NO. 25-98

Notice of Proposed Issuance of Letter of Offer Pursuant to Section 36(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act

Annex Item No. vii

(vii) Sensitivity of Technology:

1. The GBU-39 Small Diameter Bomb Increment 1 (SDB-I) all-up-round (AUR) is a 250-lb Global Positioning System/Inertial Navigation System (GPS/INS) aided small autonomous, day or night, adverse weather, conventional, air-to-ground precision glide weapon able to strike fixed and stationary relocatable non-hardened targets from standoff ranges. The SDB system employs a smart carriage capable of carrying four 250-lb class guided air-to-surface munitions. It is capable of destroying high-priority fixed and stationary targets from Air Force fighters and bombers in internal bays or on external hard-points. SDB increases aircraft loadout, decreases the logistical footprint, decreases collateral damage, and improves aircraft sortie generation times.

a. The SDB-I Guided Test Vehicle (GTV) is a SDB-I configuration used for land or sea range-based testing of the SDB-I weapon system. The GTV has common flight characteristics of an SDB-I AUR, but in place of the multi-effects warhead is a Flight Termination, Tracking, and Telemetry (FTTT) subassembly that mirrors the AUR multi-effects warhead's size and mass properties but provides safe flight termination, free flight tracking, and telemetry of encrypted data from the GTV to the data receivers. The SDB-I GTV can have either inert or live fuses. All other flight control, guidance, data-link, and seeker functions are representative of the SDB-I AUR.

2. The GBU-53 Small Diameter Bomb Increment II (SDB-II) AUR is a 250-lb precision guided, semiautonomous, conventional, air-to-ground munition used to defeat targets through adverse weather. The SDB-II has deployable wings and fins and uses GPS/INS guidance, network-enabled datalink (Link-16 and ultra high frequency), and a multi-mode seeker (millimeter wave radar, imaging infrared, semi-active laser) to autonomously search, acquire, track, and defeat a variety of moving or stationary targets at standoff ranges in a variety of attack modes. The SDB-II employs a multi-effects warhead (blast, fragmentation, and shaped-charge) for maximum lethality against armored and soft targets. The SDB-II weapon system consists of the tactical AUR weapon, a 4-place common carriage system, and mission planning system munitions application program (MAP).

a. The SDB-II GTV is a SDB-II configuration used for land or sea range-based testing of the SDB-II weapon system. All other elements of the SDB-II GTV are equivalent to SDB-I GTV elements.

3. The Joint Direct Attack Munition (JDAM) consist of a bomb body paired with a warhead-specific tail kit containing GPS/INS guidance capability that converts unguided free-fall bombs into accurate, adverse weather "smart" munitions. The JDAM weapon can be delivered from modest standoff ranges at high or low altitudes against a variety of land and surface targets during the day or night. The JDAM can receive target coordinates via preplanned mission data from the delivery aircraft, by on-board aircraft sensors (i.e., FLIR, radar, etc.) during captive carry, or from a third-party source via manual or automated aircrew cockpit entry.

a. The GBU-31 is a 2,000-lb JDAM, and consists of a KMU-556 tail kit and BLU-117 or MK-84 bomb body.

b. The GBU-38 is a 500-lb JDAM, and consists of a KMU-572 tail kit and BLU-111 or MK-82 bomb body.

4. The GBU-54 Laser JDAM (LJDAM) is a 500-lb JDAM which incorporates all the capabilities of the JDAM guidance tail kit and adds a precision laser guidance set. The LJDAM gives the weapon system an optional semi-active laser guidance in addition to the INS/GPS guidance. This provides the capability to strike moving targets. The GBU-54 consists of a DSU-38 laser guidance set and bomb body with appropriate KMU-5XX tail kit.

5. The MK-82 General Purpose (GP) bomb is a 500-lb, free-fall, unguided, low-drag weapon. The MK-82 is designed for soft, fragment-sensitive targets and is not intended for hard targets or penetrations. The explosive filling is usually tritonal, though other compositions have sometimes been used.

6. The BLU-111 is a 500-lb, free-fall, unguided, low-drag weapon. The MK-82 is designed for soft, fragment-sensitive targets and is not intended for hard targets or penetrations. The explosive filling is tritonal.

7. The BLU-117 GP bomb is a 2,000-lb, free-fall, unguided, high and low-drag weapon designed to be functionally equivalent to the MK-84. It may slightly differ in explosive filler or manufacturer details.

8. The FMU-139 Joint Programmable Fuze (JPF) is a multi-delay, multi-arm, and proximity sensor compatible with general purpose blast, frag, and hardened-target penetrator weapons. The JPF settings are cockpit selectable in flight when used with numerous precision-guided weapons.

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

10. 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.

11. A determination has been made that Canada 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.

12. All defense articles and services listed in this transmittal have been authorized for release and export to the Government of Canada.

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Sincerely,

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Enclosures.

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(i) Prospective Purchaser: Government of Denmark.

(ii) Total Estimated Value:

Major Defense Equipment \* \$1.5 billion.

Other \$1.5 billion.

Total \$3.0 billion.

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

Major Defense Equipment (MDE):

Twenty-four (24) All Up Round Magazines. Eight (8) Indirect Fire Protection Capability Increment 2 launchers.

Two (2) Sentinel A4 radars Integrated Battle Command System (IBCS).

Two (2) IBCS Engagement Operations Centers.

Two (2) IBCS Integrated Collaborative Environments.

Six (6) IBCS Integrated Fire Control Network relays.

Non-Major Defense Equipment:

The following non-MDE items will also be included: reload vehicles; communications equipment, including, but not limited to, AN/PSN-13A Defense Advanced Global Positioning System receivers, AN/PYQ-10A Simple Key Loaders, AN/VRC-92F radio sets, RT-1523F receiver-transmitters, AN/TPX-61 interrogator set, AN/TPX-57A(V)1 Identification Friend or Foe (IFF) devices, KG-250X Inline Network Encryptors, and KIV-77 encryptors; tools and test equipment; support equipment; generators; publications and technical documentation; training equipment, including the Air Defense Reconfigurable Trainer; spare and repair parts; personnel training; Technical Assistance Field Team support; U.S. Government and contractor technical, engineering, and logistics support services; Systems Integration and Checkout; field office support; and other related elements of logistics and program support.

(iv) Military Department: Army (DE-B-VMJ).

(v) Prior Related Cases, if any: None.

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

(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 5, 2025.

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

### POLICY JUSTIFICATION

Denmark—Integrated Battle Command System with Indirect Fire Protection Capability

The Government of Denmark has requested to buy twenty-four (24) All Up Round Magazine (AUR-M); eight (8) Indirect Fire Protection Capability Increment 2 launchers; two (2) Sentinel A4 radars and Integrated Battle Command System (IBCS); two (2) IBCS Engagement Operations Centers; two (2) IBCS Integrated Collaborative Environments; and six (6) IBCS Integrated Fire Control Network relays. The following non-Major Defense Equipment items will also be included: reload vehicles; communications equipment, including, but not limited to, AN/PSN-13A Defense Advanced Global Positioning System receivers, AN/PYQ-10A Simple Key Loaders, AN/VRC-92F radio sets, RT-1523F receiver-transmitters, AN/FPX-61 interrogator set, AN/TPX-57A(V)1 Identification Friend or Foe (IFF) devices, KG-250X Inline Network Encryptors, and KIV-77 encryptors; tools and test equipment; support equipment; generators; publications and technical documentation; training equipment, including the Air Defense Reconfigurable Trainer; spare and repair parts; personnel training; Technical Assistance Field Team support; U.S. Government and contractor technical, engineering, and logistics support services; Systems Integration and Checkout; field office support; and other related elements of logistics and program support. The estimated total program cost is \$3.0 billion.

This proposed sale will support the foreign policy and national security objectives of the United States by improving the security of a NATO Ally that is an important force

for political stability and economic progress in Europe.

The proposed sale will improve Denmark's capability to meet current and future threats and enhance its interoperability with U.S. and other allied forces. It will also enhance Denmark's medium and long-range ground-based air defense capability. Denmark will have no difficulty absorbing this equipment and services into its armed forces.

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

The principal contractors will be RTX Corporation, located in Arlington, VA; Lockheed-Martin, located in Syracuse, NY; Leidos Inc., located in Reston, VA; and Northrop Grumman, located in Falls Church, VA. At this time, the U.S. Government is not aware of any offset agreement proposed in connection with this potential sale. Any offset agreement will be defined in negotiations between the purchaser and the contractor.

Implementation of this proposed sale will require 9–14 U.S. Government and 12–17 contractor representatives to travel to Denmark for up to seven years for equipment fielding, system checkout, training, and technical and logistics support.

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

#### TRANSMITTAL NO. 25-75

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#### Annex Item No. vii

##### (vii) Sensitivity of Technology:

1. The Sentinel A4 radar has advanced sensor capabilities that provide military advantages in integrated air and missile defense.

2. The Indirect Fire Protection Capability (IFPC) Increment 2 launcher is a mobile, ground-based weapon system designed to defeat unmanned aircraft systems and cruise missiles.

3. The IFPC weapon system employs the AIM-9X's interceptor in an environmentally sealed All Up Round Magazine (AUR-M). The AUR-M consists of six (6) AIM-9X interceptors in a vertical 2x3 magazine and eliminates the need to directly handle munitions. Each launcher can carry 3 AUR-Ms at a time for a total of 18 interceptors loaded. The magazine provides the structural assembly, environmental protection, and software interface between the launcher and interceptor. Upon delivery, the AUR-M serves as the storage, transportation, and operational configuration that is ready to load directly onto the launcher.

4. The Army Integrated Air and Missile Defense (AMD) (AIAMD) Integrated Battle Command System (IBCS) adapts existing and forthcoming AMD sensors, weaponry, and mission command technologies into a unified defense system. This integration facilitates a comprehensive air picture, enhances defended areas and provides flexible deployment options. The IBCS serves as the command and control solution for AIAMD and provides net centric, plug & fight, and system of systems command, control, communications, computers, intelligence, surveillance, and reconnaissance (C4ISR). The IBCS includes an Engagement Operations Center that delivers C4ISR functions to the battalion, battery, and platoon levels within the AMD Task Force.

5. The AN/PSN-13A Defense Advanced Global Positioning System (GPS) Receiver (DAGR) is a small commercial NAVSTAR GPS receiver designed for military operations. The Selective Availability/Anti Spoofing Module (SAASM) is a security device controlling the encryption that enables

Precise Positioning Service (PPS) Y-code signals from GPS satellites and resists adversary attempts to spoof GPS signals. The DAGR with SAASM will provide position and location information necessary for ground-based operation.

6. The AN/PYQ-10A Simple Key Loader (SKL) is a ruggedized, portable hand-held device for securely receiving and storing data and transferring it between compatible cryptographic and communications equipment. The SKL employs type 1 encryption to protect stored key data.

7. The AN/VRC-92F radio set is a dual long-range, vehicle-mounted communication system that is part of the SINCGARS (Single Channel Ground and Airborne Radio System) family. It provides secure and reliable voice and data communication for tactical operations through both single-channel and frequency-hopping modes to resist jamming and interception. The system is critical for enabling command and control in dynamic battlefield environments.

8. The RT-1523F receiver-transmitter provides secure voice and data communication for U.S. military and allied forces and is a core component of the SINCGARS (Single Channel Ground and Airborne Radio System) family. It supports frequency-hopping technology to resist jamming and interception and ensure reliable communication in contested environments. The RT-1523F is versatile and is used in manpack, vehicle-mounted, and base station configurations, making it essential for tactical operations and command and control.

9. The AN/TPX-61 Interrogator Set securely identifies friendly aircraft and vehicles using advanced Mode 5 IFF technology. It provides encrypted, reliable authentication to prevent spoofing and ensure accurate identification in complex operational environments. The system is essential for enhancing situational awareness, reducing the risk of friendly fire, and supporting joint and allied operations.

10. The AN/TPX-57A(V)1 IFF system securely identifies friendly aircraft and vehicles in contested environments. It uses advanced Mode 5 encryption and ensures secure and reliable authentication to prevent spoofing or misidentification. The system is critical for reducing the risk of friendly fire and enhancing situational awareness in joint operations.

11. The KG-250X Inline Network Encryptor ensures secure, high-speed encryption for critical data transmitted over networks, including voice and video. The KG-250X features advanced anti-tamper protections, secure key management, and interoperability with other secure systems.

12. The KIV-77 Encryptor secures Mode 4/5 IFF systems. It provides advanced encryption to authenticate friendly aircraft and vehicles, ensuring secure and reliable identification while preventing spoofing or unauthorized access. The KIV-77 is critical for enhancing situational awareness, reduces the risk of friendly fire, and supports joint and allied operations.

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14. 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 system effectiveness or be used in the development of a system with similar or advanced capabilities.

15. A determination has been made that Denmark 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

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TRANSMITTAL NO. 26-05

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(i) Prospective Purchaser: Government of Denmark.

(ii) Total Estimated Value:

Major Defense Equipment \* \$661 million.

Other \$69 million.

Total \$730 million.

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

Major Defense Equipment (MDE):

Two hundred (200) AIM-120C-8 Advanced Medium Range Air-to-Air Missiles (AMRAAM).

Three (3) AIM-120-C8 AMRAAM guidance sections.

Non-Major Defense Equipment: The following non-MDE items will be included: AMRAAM control sections, containers, and support equipment; spare parts, consumables and accessories, and repair and return support; weapons software and support equipment; classified and unclassified software delivery and support; classified and unclassified publications and technical documentation; transportation support; U.S. Government and contractor engineering, technical, and logistics support services; and other related elements of logistics and program support.

(iv) Military Department: Air Force DE-D-YAB.

(v) Prior Related Cases, if any: DE-D-YAC.

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

(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 5, 2025.

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

POLICY JUSTIFICATION

Denmark—AIM-120C-8 Advanced Medium Range Air-to-Air Missiles

The Government of Denmark has requested to buy two hundred (200) AIM-120C-8 Advanced Medium Range Air-to-Air Missiles (AMRAAM) and three (3) AIM-120-C8 AMRAAM guidance sections. The following non-major defense equipment items will also be included: AMRAAM control sections, containers, and support equipment; spare parts, consumables and accessories, and repair and return support; weapons software and support equipment; classified and unclassified software delivery and support; classified and unclassified publications and technical documentation; transportation support; U.S. Government and contractor engineering, technical, and logistics support services; and

other related elements of logistics and program support. The estimated total cost is \$730 million.

This proposed sale will support the foreign policy goals and national security objectives of the United States by improving the security of a NATO Ally that is a force for political stability and economic progress in Europe.

The proposed sale will improve Denmark's capability to meet current and future threats by ensuring it has modern and capable air-to-air munitions. This sale will further advance the already high level of Danish Air Force interoperability with U.S. Joint Forces and other regional and NATO forces. Denmark will have no difficulty absorbing these articles and services 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, located in Arlington, VA. At this time, the U.S. Government is not aware of any offset agreement proposed in connection with this potential sale. Any offset agreement will be defined in negotiations.

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

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

TRANSMITTAL NO. 26-05

Notice of Proposed Issuance of Letter of Offer Pursuant to Section 36(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act

Annex Item No. vii

(vii) Sensitivity of Technology:

1. The AIM-120C-8 Advanced Medium Range Air-to-Air Missile (AMRAAM) is a supersonic, air or surface-launched, aerial intercept guided missile featuring digital technology and microminiature solid-state electronics. AMRAAM capabilities include look-down/shoot-down, multiple launches against multiple targets, resistance to electronic countermeasures, and interception of high- and low-flying and maneuvering targets. This potential sale will include AMRAAM containers, guidance sections, and control section spares.

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

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 system effectiveness or be used in the development of a system with similar or advanced capabilities.

4. A determination has been made that Denmark 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 the Government of Denmark.

#### ARMS SALES NOTIFICATION

Mr. RISCH. Mr. President, section 36(b) of the Arms Export Control Act requires that Congress receive prior notification of certain proposed arms sales as defined by that statute. Upon

such notification, the Congress has 30 calendar days during which the sale may be reviewed. The provision stipulates that, in the Senate, the notification of proposed sales shall be sent to the chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee.

In keeping with the committee's intention to see that relevant information is still available to the full Senate, I ask unanimous consent to have printed in the RECORD the notifications that have been received. If the cover letter references a classified annex, then such an 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,  
Washington, DC.

Hon. MIKE JOHNSON,  
*Speaker of the House,  
House of Representatives, Washington, DC.*

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. 26-11, concerning the Air Force's proposed Letter(s) of Offer and Acceptance to the Government of Italy for defense articles and services estimated to cost \$301 million. We will issue a news release to notify the public of this proposed sale upon delivery of this letter to your office.

Sincerely,

MICHAEL F. MILLER,  
*Director.*

Enclosures.

DEFENSE SECURITY  
COOPERATION AGENCY,  
Washington, DC.

Hon. JAMES E. RISCH,  
*Chairman, Committee on Foreign Relations,  
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COOPERATION AGENCY,  
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House of Representatives, Washington, DC.*

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Enclosures.

TRANSMITTAL NO. 26-11

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 Italy.

(ii) Total Estimated Value:

Major Defense Equipment\* \$246 million.

Other \$55 million.

Total \$301 million.

Funding Source: National Funds

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

Major Defense Equipment (MDE): One hundred (100) AGM-158B/B-2 Joint Air-to-Surface Standoff Missiles with Extended Range (JASSM-ER)

Non-Major Defense Equipment: The following non-MDE items will also be included: JASSM classified test equipment and containers; KGV-135A encryption devices; Global Positioning Systems (GPS) Precise Positioning Service (PPS); spare and repair parts, consumables and accessories, and repair and return support; weapon system support and software; classified and unclassified software; classified and unclassified publications and technical documentation; transportation support; site surveys; U.S. Government and contractor engineering, technical, and logistics support services; and other related elements of logistics and program support.

(iv) Military Department: Air Force (IT-D-YAF).

(v) Prior Related Cases, if any: None.

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

(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 5, 2025.

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

## POLICY JUSTIFICATION

Italy—Joint Air-to-Surface Standoff Missiles with Extended Range

The Government of Italy has requested to buy one hundred (100) AGM-158B/B-2 Joint Air-to-Surface Standoff Missiles with Extended Range (JASSM-ER). The following non-MDE items will also be included: JASSM classified test equipment and containers; KGV-135A encryption devices; spare and repair parts, consumables and accessories, and repair and return support; weapon system support and software; classified and unclassified software; classified and unclassified publications and technical documentation; transportation support; site surveys; U.S. Government and contractor engineering, technical, and logistics support services; and other related elements of logistics and program support. The estimated total cost is \$301 million.

This proposed sale will support the foreign policy goals and national security objectives of the United States by improving the security of a NATO Ally that is a force for political stability and economic progress in Europe.

The proposed sale will improve Italy's capability to meet current and future threats by providing stand-off capability via advanced, long-range strike systems for employment on Italian fighter aircraft, including but not limited to F-35 aircraft. Italy will have no difficulty absorbing these articles and services 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 Lockheed Martin, located in Orlando, FL. At this time,

the U.S. Government is not aware of any offset agreement proposed in connection with this potential sale. Any offset agreement will be defined in negotiations between the purchaser and the contractor.

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

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

TRANSMITTAL NO. 26-11

Notice of Proposed Issuance of Letter of Offer Pursuant to Section 36(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act

Annex Item No. vii

(vii) Sensitivity of Technology:

1. The AGM-158B/B-2 Joint Air-to-Surface Standoff Missile with Extended Range (JASSM-ER) All Up Round (AUR) is a low-observable, highly survivable, subsonic cruise missile designed to penetrate next-generation air defense systems enroute to target. The JASSM-ER is designed to kill hard, medium-hardened, soft, and area type targets. The extended range over the baseline was obtained by going from a turbo jet to a turbo-fan engine and by reconfiguring the fuel tanks for added capacity. Precise positioning will be provided by either Selective Availability Anti-Spoofing Module or M-Code.

a. The AGM-158B-2 system capabilities include all the capabilities of the AGM-158B. The AGM-158B-2 configuration will have different internal components to address multiple obsolescence issues as well as sub-component updates to position for M-Code and other potential upgrades. Global Positioning System/Precise Positioning Service (GPS/PPS) to be provided by either Selective Availability Anti-Spoofing Module (SAASM) or M-Code.

2. The KGV-135 A is a high-speed, general purpose encryptor/decryptor module used for wideband data encryption.

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

4. 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 system effectiveness or be used in the development of a system with similar or advanced capabilities.

5. A determination has been made that Italy 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.

6. All defense articles and services listed in this transmittal have been authorized for release and export to the Government of Italy.

## ARMS SALES NOTIFICATION

Mr. RISCH. Mr. President, section 36(b) of the Arms Export Control Act requires that Congress receive prior notification of certain proposed arms sales as defined by that statute. Upon such notification, the Congress has 30 calendar days during which the sale may be reviewed. The provision stipulates that, in the Senate, the notification of proposed sales shall be sent to the chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee.

In keeping with the committee's intention to see that relevant informa-

tion is still available to the full Senate, I ask unanimous consent to have printed in the RECORD the notifications that have been received. If the cover letter references a classified annex, then such an 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,  
Washington, DC.

Hon. MIKE JOHNSON,  
Speaker of the House, House of Representatives,  
Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: Pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(b)(5)(C) of the Arms Export Control Act (AECA), as amended, we are forwarding Transmittal No. 25-1P. 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 20-23 of April 10, 2020.

Sincerely,

MICHAEL F. MILLER,  
Director.

Enclosure.

DEFENSE SECURITY  
COOPERATION AGENCY,  
Washington, DC.

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Enclosure.

TRANSMITTAL NO. 25-1P

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

(i) Prospective Purchaser: Republic of Korea.

(ii) Sec. 36(B)(1), AECA Transmittal No.: 20-23; Date: April 10, 2020; Implementing Agency: Air Force.

(iii) Description: On April 10, 2020, Congress was notified by congressional certification transmittal number 20-23 of the possible sale, under Section 36(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act, of Follow-on support and services for Republic of Korea's F-35 aircraft,



engines, and weapons; publications and technical documentation; support equipment; spare and repair parts; repair and return; test equipment; software delivery and support; pilot flight equipment; personnel training equipment; U.S. Government and contractor technical and logistics support services; and other related elements of program support. The estimated total cost was \$675 million. There was no Major Defense Equipment (MDE) associated with this sale.

On September 21, 2023, Congress was notified by congressional certification transmittal number 23-00 of the inclusion of continued Contractor Logistics Support (CLS) for the F-35 program; electronic warfare (EW) data and Reprogramming Lab support; Cartridge Actuated Devices/Propellant Actuated Devices (CAD/PAD); classified software development, delivery, and support; aircraft engine Component Improvement Program (CIP) support; transportation support; and engineering technical assistance. The total cost of the new non-MDE items was \$565 million, however only a net increase in total non-MDE of \$545 million was required. The estimated total case value increased to \$1.22 billion. There was no MDE associated with this sale.

This transmittal notifies the inclusion of the following non-MDE items: clothing textiles and individual equipment; programmed depot maintenance; weapon system support; and other related elements of logistics and program support. The estimated total cost of the new items is \$260 million. The total case value will increase by \$260 million to \$1.48 billion. There is no MDE associated with this sale.

(iv) Significance: This proposed sale will sustain the Republic of Korea's F-35 fleet readiness and increase aircraft reliability and maintainability.

(v) Justification: This proposed sale will support the foreign policy and national security objectives of the United States by improving the security of a major non-NATO ally that is a force for political stability and economic progress in the Pacific region.

(vi) Sensitivity of Technology:

The Sensitivity of Technology Statement contained in the original notification applies to items reported here.

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

(vii) Date Report Delivered to Congress: December 5, 2025.

#### ARMS SALES NOTIFICATION

Mr. RISCH. Mr. President, section 36(b) of the Arms Export Control Act requires that Congress receive prior notification of certain proposed arms sales as defined by that statute. Upon such notification, the Congress has 30 calendar days during which the sale may be reviewed. The provision stipulates that, in the Senate, the notification of proposed sales shall be sent to the chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee.

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DEFENSE SECURITY  
COOPERATION AGENCY,  
Washington, DC.

Hon. MIKE JOHNSON,  
*Speaker, House of Representatives,*  
Washington, DC.

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. 25-111, concerning the Air Force's proposed Letter(s) of Offer and Acceptance to the Republic of Korea for defense articles and services estimated to cost \$111.8 million. We will issue a news release to notify the public of this proposed sale upon delivery of this letter to your office.

Sincerely,

MICHAEL F. MILLER,  
*Director.*

Enclosures.

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COOPERATION AGENCY,  
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Hon. JAMES E. RISCH,  
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#### TRANSMITTAL NO. 25-111

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: Republic of Korea.

(ii) Total Estimated Value:  
Major Defense Equipment\* \$106.8 million.  
Other \$5.0 million.  
Total \$111.8 million.

(iii) Description and Quantity or Quantities of Articles or Services under Consideration for Purchase: Foreign Military Sales (FMS) case KS-D-YAT was below the congressional notification threshold at \$18.8 million (\$15.4 million in major defense equipment (MDE)) and included three hundred eighty-seven (387) GBU-39/B Small Diameter Bombs (SDB-I). The Republic of Korea has requested the case be amended to include an additional six hundred twenty-four (624) GBU-39/B SDB-Is. This amendment will

cause the case to exceed the notification threshold, and thus notification of the entire program is required. The above notification requirements are combined as follows:

Major Defense Equipment (MDE): One thousand eleven (1,011) GBU-39/B Small Diameter Bombs (SDB-I).

Non-Major Defense Equipment: The following non-MDE items will be included: aircraft components, spares, and accessories; explosive charges, devices, propellants, and components; spare parts, consumables and accessories, and repair and return support; U.S. Government and contractor engineering, technical, and logistics support services; and other related elements of logistics and program support.

(iv) Military Department: Air Force (KS-D-YAT).

(v) Prior Related Cases, if any: KS-D-YBB.

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

(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 5, 2025.

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

#### POLICY JUSTIFICATION

Republic of Korea—GBU-39/B Small Diameter Bombs-Increment 1 (SDB-I)

The Republic of Korea has requested to buy an additional six hundred twenty-four (624) GBU-39/B Small Diameter Bombs (SDB-I) that will be added to a previously implemented case whose value was under the congressional notification threshold. The original Foreign Military Sales (FMS) case, valued at \$18.8 million (\$15.4 million in major defense equipment (MDE)), included three hundred eighty-seven (387) GBU-39/B SDB-Is; aircraft components, spares, and accessories; explosive charges, devices, propellants, and components; spare parts, consumables and accessories, and repair and return support; U.S. Government and contractor engineering, technical, and logistics support services; and other related elements of logistics and program support. The estimated total cost is \$111.8 million.

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

This proposed sale will improve the Republic of Korea's capability to meet current and future threats by increasing its critical air defense capability to deter aggression in the region and to ensure interoperability with U.S. forces. The Republic of Korea already has GBU-39/B SDB-Is in its inventory and will have no difficulty absorbing these articles and services 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 The Boeing Corporation, located in Arlington, VA. At this time, the U.S. Government is not aware of any offset agreement proposed in connection with this potential sale. Any offset agreement will be defined in negotiations between the purchaser and the contractor.

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

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

TRANSMITTAL NO. 25-111

Notice of Proposed Issuance of Letter of Offer Pursuant to Section 36(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act

Annex Item No. vii

(vii) Sensitivity of Technology:

1. The GBU-39/B Small Diameter Bomb Increment I (SDB-I) All Up Round (AUR) is a 250-pound GPS-aided munition with precise positioning services provided by Selective Availability Anti-Spoofing Module or M-Code, and it is a small, autonomous, day or night, adverse weather, conventional, air-to-ground precision glide weapon able to strike fixed and stationary relocatable non-hardened targets from standoff ranges. The SDB system employs a smart carriage capable of carrying four 250-lb class guided air-to-surface munitions. It is capable of destroying high-priority fixed and stationary targets from Air Force fighters and bombers in internal bays or on external hard-points. SDB increases aircraft loadout, decreases the logistical footprint, decreases collateral damage, and improves aircraft sortie generation times.

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

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 system effectiveness or be used in the development of a system with similar or advanced capabilities.

4. A determination has been made that the Republic of Korea can provide substantially the same degree of protection for the sensitive technology being released 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 defense articles and services listed in this transmittal have been authorized for release and export to the Republic of Korea.

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DEFENSE SECURITY  
COOPERATION AGENCY,  
Washington, DC.

Hon. MIKE JOHNSON,  
Speaker of the House,  
House of Representatives, Washington, DC.

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. 25-63, concerning the Army's proposed Letter(s) of Offer and Acceptance to the Government of Lebanon for defense articles and services estimated to cost \$90.5 million. We will issue a news release to notify the public of this proposed sale upon delivery of this letter to your office.

Sincerely,

MARY BETH MORGAN,

(For Michael F. Miller, Director).

Enclosures.

DEFENSE SECURITY

COOPERATION AGENCY,

Washington, DC.

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Enclosures.

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COOPERATION AGENCY,

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TRANSMITTAL NO. 25-63

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 Lebanon.

(ii) Total Estimated Value:

Major Defense Equipment\* \$0 million.

Other \$90.5 million.

Total \$90.5 million.

Funding Source: Foreign Military Financing.

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

Major Defense Equipment (MDE): None.

Non-Major Defense Equipment: 5-ton M1085A2 Medium Tactical Vehicles (MTVs) without winch; 2.5-ton M1078A2 MTVs without winch; spare and repair parts; publications and technical documentation; personnel training and training equipment; technical, and logistics support services; and other related elements of logistics and program support.

(iv) Military Department: Army (LE-B-WDA).

(v) Prior Related Cases, if any: LE-B-WGA.

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

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

(VIII) Date Report Delivered to Congress: December 5, 2025.

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

#### POLICY JUSTIFICATION

Lebanon—M1085A2 and M1078A2 Medium Tactical Vehicles

The Government of Lebanon has requested to buy 5-ton M1085A2 Medium Tactical Vehicles (MTVs) without winch; 2.5-ton M1078A2 MTVs without winch; spare and repair parts; publications and technical documentation; personnel training and training equipment; technical, and logistics support services; and other related elements of logistics and program support. The estimated total cost is \$90.5 million.

This proposed sale will support the foreign policy and national security of the United States by improving the security of a partner country that continues to be an important force for political stability and economic progress in the Middle East.

The proposed sale will improve Lebanon's capability to meet current and future threats by enabling Lebanese Armed Forces to rapidly engage and defeat perimeter security threats and readily employ counter and anti-terrorism measures. A highly mobile and medium tactical vehicle capability will enable additional military-to-military tactics and operational training between the United States and Lebanon. Lebanon will have no difficulty absorbing these articles and services 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 Oshkosh Defense, located in Oshkosh, WI. At this time, the U.S. Government is not aware of any offset agreement proposed in connection with this potential sale. Any offset agreement will be defined in negotiations between the purchaser and the contractor.

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

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

#### ARMS SALES NOTIFICATION

Mr. RISCH. Mr. President, section 36(b) of the Arms Export Control Act requires that Congress receive prior notification of certain proposed arms sales as defined by that statute. Upon such notification, the Congress has 30 calendar days during which the sale may be reviewed. The provision stipulates that, in the Senate, the notification of proposed sales shall be sent to the chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee.

In keeping with the committee's intention to see that relevant information is still available to the full Senate, I ask unanimous consent to have printed in the RECORD the notifications that have been received. If the cover letter references a classified annex, then such an 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,  
Washington, DC.

HON. MIKE JOHNSON,  
*Speaker of the House, House of Representatives,*  
*Washington, DC.*

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. 22-08, concerning the Air Force's proposed Letter(s) of Offer and Acceptance to the Government of Pakistan for defense articles and services estimated to cost \$686 million.

Sincerely,

MICHAEL F. MILLER,  
*Director.*

Enclosures.

DEFENSE SECURITY  
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TRANSMITTAL NO. 22-08

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 Pakistan.

(ii) Total Estimated Value:

Major Defense Equipment\* \$37 million.

Other \$649 million.

Total \$686 million.

Funding Source: National Funds.

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

Major Defense Equipment (MDE):

Ninety-two (92) Link-16 systems.

Six (6) Mk-82 inert 500-lb general purpose bomb bodies.

Non-Major Defense Equipment:

The following non-MDE items will also be included: aircraft hardware and software modifications to support Operational Flight Program and mandated avionics updates; AN/APX-126 (or equivalent) Advanced Identification Friend or Foe (AIFF); KY-58M and KIV-78 cryptographic appliques; AN/APQ-10C Simple Key Loaders; additional secure communications, precision navigation, and cryptographic devices and support; Joint Mission Planning Systems and support; Common Munitions Built-in-test Reprogramming Equip-

ment; ADU-981 missile adaptor units and other weapons integration, test, and support equipment; spare and repair parts; software delivery and support; publications and technical documentation; full motion simulator, personnel training, and training equipment; U.S. Government and contractor engineering, technical, and logistics support services; studies and surveys; and other related elements of logistical and program support.

(iv) Military Department: Air Force (PK-D-VAA).

(v) Prior Related Cases, if any: None.

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

(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 4, 2025.

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

#### POLICY JUSTIFICATION

Pakistan—F-16 Cryptographic Mandate Compliance and Service Life Extension Program

The Government of Pakistan has requested to buy ninety-two (92) Link-16 systems and six (6) Mk-82 inert 500-lb general purpose bomb bodies. The following non-MDE items will also be included: aircraft hardware and software modifications to support Operational Flight Program and mandated avionics updates; AN/APX-126 (or equivalent) Advanced Identification Friend or Foe (AIFF); KY-58M and KIV-78 cryptographic appliques; AN/APQ-10C Simple Key Loaders; additional secure communications, precision navigation, and cryptographic devices and support; Joint Mission Planning Systems and support; Common Munitions Built-in-test Reprogramming Equipment; ADU-981 missile adaptor units and other weapons integration, test, and support equipment; spare and repair parts; software delivery and support; publications and technical documentation; full motion simulator, personnel training, and training equipment; U.S. Government and contractor engineering, technical, and logistics support services; studies and surveys; and other related elements of logistical and program support. The estimated total cost is \$686 million.

This proposed sale will support the foreign policy and national security objectives of the United States by allowing Pakistan to retain interoperability with U.S. and partner forces in ongoing counterterrorism efforts and in preparation for future contingency operations.

The proposed sale will maintain Pakistan's capability to meet current and future threats by updating and refurbishing its Block-52 and Mid Life Upgrade F-16 fleet. These updates will provide more seamless integration and interoperability between the Pakistan Air Force and the U.S. Air Force in combat operations, exercises, and training, and refurbishment will extend the aircraft life through 2040 while addressing critical flight safety concerns. Pakistan has shown a commitment to maintaining its military forces and will have no difficulty absorbing these articles and services 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 Lockheed Martin Company, located in Fort Worth, TX. At this time, the U.S. Government is not aware of any offset agreement proposed in connection with this potential sale. Any offset agreement will be defined in negotiations between the purchaser and the contractor.

Implementation of this proposed sale will not require the assignment of any additional

U.S. Government or contractor representatives to Pakistan.

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

TRANSMITTAL NO. 22-08

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Annex Item No. vii

(vii) Sensitivity of Technology:

1. The Link-16 is an advanced command, control, communications, and intelligence (C3I) system incorporating high capacity, jam-resistant, digital communication links for exchange of near real-time tactical information, including both data and voice, among air, ground, and sea elements. It provides the warfighter key theater functions such as surveillance, identification, air control, weapons engagement coordination, and direction for all services and allied forces. With updated cryptography, Link-16 will ensure interoperability into the future.

2. The Mk-82 inert general purpose bomb is a 500-lb, free-fall, unguided, low-drag inert weapon used for integration testing. There is no explosive fill.

3. The AN/APX-126 Advanced Identification Friend or Foe Combined Interrogator Transponder is a system capable of transmitting and interrogating Mode 5.

4. The KY-58 and KIV-78 is a crypto applique for Mode 5 Identification Friend or Foe equipment. It can be loaded with Mode 5 classified elements.

5. The AN/APQ-10C Simple Key Loader is a handheld fill device for securely receiving, storing, and transferring data between cryptographic and communications equipment.

6. The Joint Mission Planning System is a multi-platform PC-based mission planning system.

7. The Common Munitions Built-In-Test Reprogramming Equipment (CMBRE) testers and ADU-891 missile adaptors for CMBRE testers are used to test the electronics in air-to-ground munitions and air-to-air missiles.

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

9. 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.

10. A determination has been made that Pakistan 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.

11. All defense articles and services listed in this transmittal have been authorized for release and export to the Government of Pakistan.

#### REMEMBERING CHARLES NORMAN SHAY

Mr. KING. Mr. President, I stand before you today to remember Charles Norman Shay, a Penobscot tribal elder, World War II hero, and loving father, grandfather, father-in-law, and uncle. Charles died last week at the age of 101, at his home not far from the beaches of Normandy, where he saved numerous lives as a 19-year-old medic on D-Day. I had the honor of meeting and getting

to know Charles both at his home on Indian Island in Maine and in Normandy at the 75th anniversary of D-Day; he was a world-class individual who brought honor to his home State, to his Tribe, to his family, and to the people of America. I know he will be missed by his many friends and admirers around the country, but especially on Indian Island. It is my privilege to share a little bit about him so that we may all honor and cherish his memory.

Charles was one of about 175 Native Americans who were among the 34,000 Allied troops who stormed the beaches of Normandy on June 6, 1944. He said that he had been “given a job” and that it was “up to [him] to complete [his] job.” Charles “did not have time to worry about [his] situation of being there and perhaps losing [his] life. There was no time for this.” On that day, Charles saved soldiers from drowning at Omaha Beach by turning them on their backs, dragging them ashore, and dressing their wounds. He said that “. . . I don’t know where my strength came from, but they say once the adrenaline starts flowing in your body, you can do unbelievable feats.”

After D-Day, Charles and his unit—the First Infantry Division, known as the Big Red One—participated in the Battle of Hurtgen Forest and the Battle of the Bulge. In March 1945, he and his squadron were captured by the Germans near Auel, Germany. He was held as a prisoner of war for several weeks at Stalag VI-G, until Americans liberated the camp in April 1945, eventually forcing Germany’s surrender the following month.

Unfortunately, as a Native American, Charles found few opportunities for work and faced outright discrimination when he returned home. Despite being a war hero with a Silver Star, Charles was turned away when he tried to vote in the fall of 1945, since Maine did not grant Native Americans the right to vote in Federal elections until 1954 and in State and local elections until 1967. Charles said later, “Well, there was just no chance for young American Indian boys to gain proper labor and earn a good job.” So, he re-enlisted in the Army and was stationed in Vienna as a medic with a military police unit. During the Korean war, he again saw combat, earning a Bronze Star. Charles retired with the rank of master sergeant in 1952.

While stationed in Vienna in 1950, Charles married Lilli Bellarth, a native of the city. They lived in the city for many years, and in 2003, they moved back to Indian Island. Charles spent his time promoting the culture and history of the Penobscot Tribe and was instrumental in the reprinting of his grandfather’s book, “The Life and Traditions of the Red Man.” Charles also successfully lobbied for a Maine law designating June 21 as Native American Veterans Day.

Charles first returned to Omaha Beach in 2007, and from 2018 until his passing, he lived nearby with his care-

taker, Marie-Pascale Legrand. For several years, Charles performed a sage-burning ceremony overlooking Omaha Beach to honor the dead. He said he moved to France to be close to his fallen brothers, saying, “I believe that I can talk with the souls of the men that are still wandering on the beach here. And I just tried to assure them that they are not forgotten.”

Today, a monument honoring Charles sits overlooking Omaha Beach, so even though Charles is no longer physically here to speak with the souls of his fallen brothers, I know his spirit remains with them, and his memory will live on for generations to come. I send my deepest condolences to Charles’ son and grandson, his family, and the entire Penobscot Nation. Maine and the Nation are better because of people like Charles and it is our honor to carry on his legacy.

#### ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

##### TRIBUTE TO DR. ALINE ANDRES

• Mr. BOOZMAN. Mr. President, I rise today to honor and congratulate Aline Andres, Ph.D., R.D., CLC, on her election to the National Academy of Medicine, one of the most prestigious distinctions in health and medicine. This recognition reflects not only Dr. Andres’ remarkable professional achievements, but also her deep commitment to improving the health and well-being of mothers and children in Arkansas and beyond.

Dr. Andres serves as professor and section chief of developmental nutrition within the department of pediatrics at the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences and a project leader for the Arkansas Children’s Nutrition Center in Little Rock. Her work has placed Arkansas at the forefront of critical research into maternal and child health.

She is internationally regarded for her leadership understanding how exposures during pregnancy and lactation can influence outcomes. Through rigorously conducted randomized controlled trials of diet and lifestyle interventions in pregnant and lactating women, Dr. Andres has helped establish causal relationships that shape pregnancy outcomes, breast milk composition, and the programming of metabolic health in children. Her contributions are improving care, informing policy, and guiding future scientific discovery.

Beyond her research accomplishments, Dr. Andres is known for mentoring the next generation of scholars and health professionals. She brings exceptional thought and integrity to her work, ensuring her students and colleagues are equipped not only with technical expertise but also with the compassion essential for serving families. Her influence extends well beyond Arkansas as she collaborates with national and international partners who rely on her expertise.

Dr. Andres’ election to the National Academy of Medicine is a testament to her extraordinary contributions and her unwavering dedication to advancing maternal and child health. Her achievements are a source of tremendous pride to UAMS, the Arkansas Children’s Nutrition Center, and our entire State. We are pleased to celebrate her on this distinguished honor and her continued service to families and communities across the Nation.●

##### TRIBUTE TO DR. JOSEPH THOMPSON

• Mr. BOOZMAN. Mr. President, I rise today to honor and congratulate Joseph W. Thompson, M.D., M.P.H., on his election to the National Academy of Medicine, one of the highest honors in health, medicine, and public health research. This recognition reflects Dr. Thompson’s decades of leadership and his enduring commitment to improving health outcomes for families across Arkansas and the Nation.

Dr. Thompson serves as president emeritus of the Arkansas Center for Health Improvement and as a professor in the College of Medicine and Fay W. Boozman College of Public Health at the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences in Little Rock. Throughout his career, he has been a driving force behind innovative, evidence-based improvements to the healthcare system. As Arkansas’ former surgeon general, he helped shape our State’s public health priorities and strengthened the foundation for statewide, data-driven health reform.

Among his many contributions, Dr. Thompson pioneered the design, implementation, and evaluation of episode-based and primary-care payment models that placed Arkansas at the forefront of value-based care. These efforts not only improved the quality and efficiency of healthcare delivery within our State but also served as a model for similar reforms at the Federal level. His work has helped public policy to reflect the realities of patient needs and provider challenges as well as prioritize accountable, high-value care.

Dr. Thompson is also a national leader in health data integration, guiding efforts to connect and analyze information in ways that advance a continuously learning health system. His vision has strengthened Arkansas’ capacity to use data to improve population health, respond to emerging challenges, and support better decision-making across sectors. This work continues to serve as a benchmark for other States and organizations seeking to modernize health infrastructure. Additionally, he has been a dedicated mentor and collaborator whose passion for service, integrity, and innovation have earned him deep respect and gratitude.

Dr. Thompson’s election to the National Academy of Medicine is a well-deserved honor and positive reflection on UAMS, the Arkansas Center for

Health Improvement, and the people of the Natural State. I ask my colleagues to join me in celebrating his distinguished service and this recognition of his lifetime contributions to public health and medicine.●

#### RECOGNIZING THE 40TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE CHILDREN'S CABINET

● Ms. CORTEZ MASTO. Mr. President, I rise today to recognize a significant milestone for The Children's Cabinet, a nonprofit organization that has protected the safety and well-being of countless children in Nevada for the last 40 years. Founded in Reno, The Children's Cabinet has since grown to provide community-based support across all corners of the State to ensure children and families have the resources they need to succeed and thrive. I have appreciated our strong partnership over the years to improve the lives of Nevada families.

Intending to create a high-level "cabinet" of community leaders across Washoe County, Nevada businessman Michael Dermody brought together a diverse group of public officials and business professionals to create The Children's Cabinet in 1985. Together, that group worked to lay the foundation for an organization now serving over 15,000 families each year across southern and northern Nevada.

A key factor in The Children's Cabinet's success is their unique structure built on numerous public-private partnerships across the State. Today's partners range from State and local government entities to academic institutions, charities, and private nonprofit organizations. These collaborative efforts aid The Children's Cabinet in identifying the most pressing issues facing Nevada's children and families and swiftly developing programs to address a wide range of challenges over the years.

The Children's Cabinet serves as an incredible resource to our community as their programming features everything from parenting classes, childcare subsidy assistance and referrals, an on-site food pantry, an alternative high school, free family counseling, legal case management, workforce development, and crisis intervention. Their programs touch the full spectrum of economic, social, and educational needs and are available to children and families at no cost.

The Children's Cabinet also offers Safe Place, a 24/7 service for youth experiencing violence, abuse, exploitation, mental health crises, and other unsafe situations. Safe Place staff connect vulnerable youth to resources they need, including counseling, temporary shelter, and case management services. The Children's Cabinet also provides tools for adults so they can identify and help youth struggling with depression, addiction, and crises. These supports are critical when families too often face obstacles in accessing mental health care.

In addition to providing direct support to children and families, the organization's many programs also assist child care providers and employers across the State in ensuring they can offer the services and flexibilities that allow parents and caregivers to be there for their children—and those programs have continued to grow. Earlier this year, The Children's Cabinet launched the Pathways to Program Success initiative to equip Nevada's childcare providers with guidance to build sustainable childcare programs with a strong workforce of early childhood educators that serve children from all backgrounds. This is just one of many examples over the years of The Children's Cabinet's comprehensive approach to filling in gaps for Nevada families.

What started as a group of local community leaders who identified a gap in support has evolved into a statewide organization powered by the many staff, volunteers, and partners who have continued to go the extra mile to provide essential services to families in need. I am proud of the work The Children's Cabinet has done over the last 40 years to ensure every Nevadan has the resources they need to build a strong foundation for their family's future. I look forward to their continued work for decades to come.●

#### TRIBUTE TO SANDRA MITCHELL

● Mr. RISCH. Mr. President, I rise today, with my colleagues Senator MIKE CRAPO, Representative MIKE SIMPSON, and Representative RUSS FULCHER, to recognize the retirement of Sandra Mitchell, a remarkable leader and advocate whose 50 years of dedicated public service have enriched the lives of Idahoans and our State's natural landscapes.

Sandra began her career in 1975 as the manager of Congressman, and later U.S. Senator, Steve Symms' Lewiston office, where she worked for 12 years. In 1994, she accepted a role with Joe Scott and the J.A. and Kathryn Albertson Family Foundation to focus on enhancing visitor access to Idaho's public lands and waters.

Throughout her career, Sandra has demonstrated exceptional leadership. As the executive director of the Hells Canyon Alliance and Public Lands Director for the Idaho State Snowmobile Association, she has been a tireless advocate for outdoor recreation. Her involvement with the Southwest Idaho Regional Advisory Council, the Southwest Idaho Basin Advisory Group, the North American Motorized Recreation Coalition, and the Hells Canyon Subgroup reflects her commitment to balanced and sustainable policies. Additionally, as a Blue Ribbon Coalition board member, Sandra continues to champion the rights of outdoor enthusiasts across Idaho.

Sandra's research on snowmobile and wolverine interactions played a crucial role in documenting data that informs

State policy decisions. Her work on off-highway vehicle activity and the impacts to sage grouse populations showcases her dedication to both recreation and wildlife conservation. She is quick to adapt and offer innovative solutions, as illustrated by her contributions to nonmotorized and E-bike trails in the evolving landscape of outdoor recreation.

Sandra Mitchell embodies the spirit of Idaho through her dedication to our values, communities, and outdoor spaces. Her hard work and advocacy have significantly shaped the recreational landscape of our State, ensuring future generations can enjoy Idaho's natural beauty.

It is with great pride that we recognize Sandra for her outstanding contributions and wish her the best in her well-earned retirement. Thank you, Sandra, for your exemplary service and commitment to making Idaho a better place for all.●

#### MEASURES PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The following bills were read the second time, and placed on the calendar:

S. 3385. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend the enhancement of the health care premium tax credit.

S. 3386. A bill to provide a health savings account contribution to certain enrollees, to reduce health care costs, and for other purposes.

H.R. 1949. An act to repeal restrictions on the export and import of natural gas.

#### MEASURES PLACED ON THE CALENDAR—S. 3385, S. 3386, and H.R. 1949

Mr. THUNE. Mr. President, I understand that there are three bills at the desk due for a second reading en bloc.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. The leader is correct.

The clerk will read the bills by title for the second time.

The senior assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (S. 3385) to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend the enhancement of the health care premium tax credit.

A bill (S. 3386) to provide a health savings account contribution to certain enrollees, to reduce health care costs, and for other purposes.

A bill (H.R. 1949) to repeal restrictions on the export and import of natural gas.

Mr. THUNE. Mr. President, in order to place the bills on the calendar under the provisions of rule XIV, I would object to further proceeding en bloc.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Objection having been heard, the bills will be placed on the calendar under the provisions of rule XIV.

#### ORDERS FOR TUESDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2025

Mr. THUNE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it stand adjourned until 10 a.m. on Tuesday, December 9; that following the

prayer and pledge, the Journal of proceedings be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, the time for the two leaders be reserved for their use later in the day, morning business be closed, and notwithstanding rule XXII, the Senate proceed to executive session and resume consideration of Executive Calendar No. 571, Robert Chamberlin, and vote on confirmation at 11:45 a.m., and if cloture is invoked on the Crain nomination, the Senate recess until 2:15 p.m. to allow for the weekly conference meetings,

and the Senate vote on the confirmation of the Crain nomination at 2:15 p.m.; finally, that if any nominations are confirmed during Tuesday's session of the Senate, the motion to reconsider be considered made and laid upon the table, and the President be immediately notified of the Senate's action.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Without objection, it is so ordered.

Mr. THUNE. Mr. President, for the information of my colleagues, Senators should expect two votes at 11:45 a.m.,

two votes at 2:15 p.m., and a further vote in the evening.

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ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 10 A.M.  
TOMORROW

Mr. THUNE. Mr. President, if there is no further business to come before the Senate, I ask that it stand adjourned under the previous order.

There being no objection, the Senate, at 6:50 p.m., adjourned until Tuesday, December 9, 2025, at 10 a.m.

# Daily Digest

## Senate

### Chamber Action

(Legislative Days of December 4, 2025 and December 8, 2025)

*Routine Proceedings, pages S8521–S8548*

**Measures Introduced:** Eight bills and four resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 3381–3388, and S. Res. 533–536. **Page S8529**

#### Measures Passed:

***Congratulating the Las Vegas Aces:*** Senate agreed to S. Res. 535, commending and congratulating the Las Vegas Aces professional basketball team on winning the 2025 Women's National Basketball Association championship. **Page S8533**

***World Nuclear Energy Day:*** Senate agreed to S. Res. 536, designating December 2, 2025, as "World Nuclear Energy Day". **Page S8533**

***Scam Compound Accountability and Mobilization Act:*** Senate passed S. 2950, to require the Secretary of State and relevant executive branch agencies to address international scam compounds defrauding people in the United States, to hold significant transnational criminal organizations accountable, after agreeing to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Pages S8533–35**

#### Measures Considered:

**En Bloc Consideration of Certain Nominations—Cloture:** Senate began consideration S. Res. 532, authorizing the en bloc consideration in Executive Session of certain nominations on the Executive Calendar. **Page S8522**

A motion was entered to close further debate on the resolution, and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on cloture will occur upon disposition of the nomination of James D. Maxwell II, of Mississippi, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Mississippi. **Page S8522**

Prior to the consideration of this measure, Senate took the following action:

Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to Executive Session to consider the resolution. **Page S8522**

**Department of Defense Appropriations Act, 2026:** Senate began consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of H.R. 4016, making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2026. **Pages S8522–27**

#### Appointments:

***Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe:*** The Chair, on behalf of the Vice President, pursuant to Public Law 94–304, as amended by Public Law 99–7, appointed the following Senator as a member of the Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe (Helsinki Commission) during the 119th Congress: Senator Gallego vice Senator Smith. **Page S8522**

***United States Commission on International Religious Freedom:*** The Chair, on behalf of the President pro tempore, upon the recommendation of the Democratic Leader, pursuant to Public Law 105–292, as amended by Public Law 106–55, Public Law 107–228, and Public Law 112–75, appointed the following individual to the United States Commission on International Religious Freedom: Rachel K. Laser of the District of Columbia vice Ariela Ruth Dubler of New York. **Page S8533**

**Chamberlin Nomination—Agreement:** Senate resumed consideration of the nomination of Robert P. Chamberlin, of Mississippi, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Mississippi. **Pages S8527–28**

During consideration of this nomination today, Senate also took the following action:

By 52 yeas to 44 nays (Vote No. 635), Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the nomination. **Page S8527**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that at approximately 10 a.m., on Tuesday, December 9, 2025, notwithstanding Rule XXII, Senate continue consideration of the nomination, post-cloture, and vote on confirmation of the nomination at 11:45 a.m.; and that if cloture is invoked on the nomination of William J. Crain, of Louisiana, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern

District of Louisiana, Senate vote on confirmation of the nomination at 2:15 p.m. **Pages S8547–48**

**Measures Placed on the Calendar:** **Page S8547**

**Measures Read the First Time:** **Pages S8528, S8535**

**Executive Communications:** **Pages S8528–29**

**Executive Reports of Committees:** **Page S8529**

**Additional Cosponsors:** **Pages S8529–30**

**Statements on Introduced Bills/Resolutions:**  
**Pages S8530–33**

**Additional Statements:** **Pages S8546–47**

**Amendments Submitted:** **Page S8533**

**Notices of Intent:** **Page S8533**

**Authorities for Committees to Meet:** **Page S8533**

**Record Votes:** One record vote was taken today. (Total—635) **Page S8527**

**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 3 p.m. and adjourned at 6:46 p.m., and reconvened at 6:48 p.m.,

on the same day, and adjourned at 6:50 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Tuesday, December 9, 2025. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on pages S8547–48.)

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

### BUSINESS MEETING

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Michael Graham, of Virginia, to be a Member of the National Transportation Safety Board, Jared Isaacman, of Pennsylvania, to be Administrator of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, Admiral Kevin Lunday to be Commandant of the United States Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, and Ryan McCormack, of Virginia, to be Under Secretary of Transportation for Policy.

# House of Representatives

## Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. The House will meet at 12 p.m. on Tuesday, December 9, 2025.

## Committee Meetings

No hearings were held.

## Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

### NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D1204)

S.J. Res. 80, providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the Bureau of Land Management relating to "National Petroleum Reserve in Alaska Integrated Activity Plan Record of Decision". Signed on December 5, 2025. (Public Law 119–47)

## COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2025

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

### Senate

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine a review of the activities and fiscal year 2026 funding priorities of the Office of the United States Trade Representative, 4:30 p.m., SD–138.

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* Subcommittee on National Parks, to hold hearings to examine S. 290, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to upgrade existing emergency communications centers in units of the National Park System to Next Generation 9–1–1 systems, S. 332, to require a study on Holocaust education efforts of States, local educational agencies, and public elementary and secondary schools, S. 446, to prohibit Big Cypress National Preserve from being designated as wilderness or as a component of the National Wilderness Preservation System, S. 573, to designate a mountain in the State of Alaska as Denali, S. 601, to remove restrictions from a parcel of land in Paducah, Kentucky, S. 730, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a study to assess the suitability and feasibility of establishing the African Burial Ground International Memorial Museum and Educational Center at the African Burial Ground National Monument, S. 791, to establish the Justice Thurgood Marshall National Historic Site in the State of Maryland as an affiliated area of the National Park System, H.R.



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*United States Senate Caucus on International Narcotics Control:* to hold hearings to examine Chinese organized crime in Latin America, 2 p.m., SD-215.

## House

*Committee on Rules,* Full Committee, hearing on H.R. 3638, the "Electric Supply Chain Act"; H.R. 3628, the "State Planning for Reliability & Affordability Act"; H.R. 3383, the "Increasing Investor Opportunities Act"; H.R. 3668, the "Improving Interagency Coordination for Pipeline Reviews Act"; H.R. 3898, the "PERMIT Act" [Rule Markup Only]; and S. 1071, to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to disinter the remains of Fernando V. Cota from Fort Sam Houston National Cemetery, Texas, and for other purposes [National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2026], 4 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

## CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of December 9 through December 12, 2025

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During the balance of the week, Senate may consider any cleared legislative and executive business.

### Senate Committees

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

*Committee on Appropriations:* December 9, Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies, to

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*Committee on Environment and Public Works:* December 10, business meeting to consider the nominations of Lee Beaman, of Tennessee, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Tennessee Valley Authority for a term expiring May 18, 2030, and Douglas Weaver, of Maryland, to be a Member of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission for the remainder of the term expiring June 30, 2026, 10 a.m., SD-562.

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* December 10, to hold hearings to examine arms race, 9:30 a.m., SD-419.

December 10, Subcommittee on Africa and Global Health Policy, to hold hearings to examine maritime security in Africa, focusing on assessing threats to United States commercial diplomacy and national security interests, 2:30 p.m., SD-419.

December 11, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Frank Weiland, of the District of Columbia, to be an Assistant Secretary of State (International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affairs), 10:30 a.m., SD-419.

*Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:* December 9, Subcommittee on Education and the American Family, to hold hearings to examine building pathways, focusing on advancing workforce development in the 21st century, 2 p.m., SD-430.

December 10, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the future of retirement, 10 a.m., SD-430.

December 11, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the future of the U.S. organ procurement and transplantation network, 10 a.m., SD-430.

*Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:* December 10, Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations, to hold hearings to examine defining our healthcare problem, and principles we should follow to solve it, 2 p.m., SD-342.

December 11, Full Committee, to hold oversight hearings to examine the Federal Reserve's big bank welfare program, focusing on the IORB regime, 10 a.m., SD-342.

*Committee on the Judiciary:* December 9, to hold hearings to examine protecting children online against offenders, 10:15 a.m., SH-216.

December 9, Subcommittee on Intellectual Property, to hold hearings to examine balancing the interests of local radio, songwriters, and performers in the digital age, 3 p.m., SD-226.

December 11, Full Committee, business meeting to consider the nominations of David Clay Fowlkes, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Arkansas, Nicholas Jon Ganjei, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Texas, Aaron Christian Peterson, to be United States District Judge for the District of Alaska, Andrew Benson, to be United States Attorney for the District of Maine, William Boyle, to be United States Attorney for the Eastern District of North Carolina, Richard Price, to be United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, Darin Smith, to be United States Attorney for the District of Wyoming, 10:15 a.m., SH-216.

*Committee on Rules and Administration:* December 11, business meeting to consider S. Res. 526, withholding the pay of Senators if a Government shutdown occurs, 10:30 a.m., SR-301.

*Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship:* December 10, to hold hearings to examine running government like a small business, focusing on waste and fraud, 2:30 p.m., SR-428A.

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs:* December 10, to hold hearings to examine S. 342, to amend title 38, United States Code, to authorize an individual who is awarded the Purple Heart for service in the Armed Forces to transfer unused Post-9/11 Educational Assistance to a family member, S. 668, to amend title 38, United States Code, to establish the Office of Falls Prevention of the Department of Veterans Affairs, S. 926, to amend title 38, United States Code, to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish a program to furnish to certain veterans items used for the secure storage of firearms, S. 1116, to amend title 38, United States Code, to authorize the provision of certain additional burial benefits for individuals for whom an urn or plaque is furnished, S. 1657, to amend title 38, United States Code, to limit the authority of the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to deny the claim of a veteran for benefits under the laws administered by such Secretary on the sole basis that such veteran failed to appear for a medical examination associated with such claim, S. 1665, to amend title 38, United States Code, to ensure veterans of secrecy oath programs receive the full benefits they have earned, S. 1868, to amend title 38, United States Code, to expand access by veterans to critical access hospitals and affiliated clinics under the Veterans Community Care Program, S. 1992, to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the efficiency of adjudications and appeals of claims for benefits under laws administered by Secretary of Veterans Affairs, S. 2061, to require the Interagency Working Group on Toxic Exposure to conduct research on the diagnosis and treatment of health conditions of descendants of individuals exposed to toxic substances while serving as members of the Armed Forces, S. 2220, to expand presumptions of

exposure by members of the Armed Forces to toxic substances, S. 2264, to improve the emergency management capabilities of the Department of Veterans Affairs, S. 2309, to direct a physician or nurse practitioner employed by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to certify the death of a veteran not later than 48 hours after such physician or nurse practitioner learns of such death, S. 2328, to authorize the use of veterans educational assistance for examinations and assessments to receive credit toward degrees awarded by institutions of higher learning, S. 2333, to require the Secretary of Defense and the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to permit supplementation of health records of deceased veterans, S. 2397, to require implementation by the Under Secretary for Health of the Department of Veterans Affairs of certain recommendations relating to the provision of health care through community care providers, S. 2683, to amend title 38, United States Code, to establish in the Department of Veterans Affairs a Veterans Scam and Fraud Evasion Officer, and S. 2737, to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to implement a pilot program to furnish hyperbaric oxygen therapy to certain veterans through community care providers, 4 p.m., SR-418.

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* December 10, to receive a closed briefing on certain intelligence matters, 3 p.m., SH-219.

*Special Committee on Aging:* December 10, to hold hearings to examine aging with purpose, focusing on the positive impact of seniors in today's economy, 3:30 p.m., SH-216.

*United States Senate Caucus on International Narcotics Control:* December 9, to hold hearings to examine Chinese organized crime in Latin America, 2 p.m., SD-215.

## House Committees

*Committee on Agriculture,* December 10, Full Committee, hearing entitled "Member Day", 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

December 11, Full Committee, hearing entitled "CFTC Reauthorization: Stakeholder Perspectives", 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

*Committee on Education and Workforce,* December 10, Subcommittee on Higher Education and Workforce Development, hearing entitled "Building A Talent Marketplace: How LERs Empower Workers and Expand Opportunity", 10:15 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

*Committee on Energy and Commerce,* December 10, Subcommittee on Environment, markup on H.R. 6409, the "Foreign Emissions and Nonattainment Clarification for Economic Stability"; H.R. 4218, the "Clean Air and Economic Advancement Reform Act"; H.R. 6387, the "Fire Improvement and Reforming Exceptional Events Act"; H.R. 4214, the "Clean Air and Building Infrastructure Improvement Act"; H.R. 161, the "New Source Review Permitting Improvement Act"; H.R. 6373, the "Air Permitting Improvements to Protect National Security Act"; and H.R. 6398, the "Reducing and Eliminating Duplicative Environmental Regulations Act", 10:15 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

December 12, Full Committee, hearing entitled "Member Day", 9 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

*Committee on Financial Services*, December 10, Full Committee, hearing entitled “From Principles to Policy: Enabling 21st Century AI Innovation in Financial Services”, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

December 11, Subcommittee on Financial Institutions, hearing entitled “Right-Sizing the U.S. Bank Capital Framework: A Return to Tailoring, Economic Growth, and Competitiveness”, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

*Committee on Foreign Affairs*, December 10, Middle East and North Africa Subcommittee, hearing entitled “Understanding Judea and Samaria: Historical, Strategic, and Political Dynamics in U.S.-Israel Relations”, 10:10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

December 10, South and Central Asia Subcommittee, hearing entitled “The U.S. India Strategic Partnership: Securing a Free and Open Indo-Pacific”, 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

December 11, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Member Day”, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

December 11, Africa Subcommittee, hearing entitled “Stopping the Bloodshed: U.S. Response to Crimes Against Humanity in Sudan”, 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

*Committee on Homeland Security*, December 11, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Worldwide Threats to the Homeland”, 10 a.m., 310 Cannon.

*Committee on House Administration*, December 10, Subcommittee on Elections, hearing entitled “Examining Potential Updates to the NVRA”, 2 p.m., 1310 Longworth.

*Committee on the Judiciary*, December 10, Subcommittee on Oversight; and Subcommittee on the Administrative State, Regulatory Reform, and Antitrust, joint hearing entitled “Fighting Obamacare Subsidy Fraud: Is the Administrative Procedure Act Working as Intended?”, 2 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

December 11, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Oversight of the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act”, 9 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

*Committee on Natural Resources*, December 10, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled “Abuse of the Equal Access to Justice Act by Environmental NGOs”, 10:15 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

December 11, Subcommittee on Indian and Insular Affairs, hearing entitled “Modernizing the Implementation of 638 Contracting at the Indian Health Service”, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

December 11, Subcommittee on Federal Lands, hearing on H.R. 3924, the “Wildfire Risk Evaluation Act”; H.R. 5095, the “HOMEFRONT Act of 2025”; H.R. 5419, the “Enhancing Administrative Reviews for Broadband

Deployment Act”; H.R. 5729, the “North Rim Restoration Act of 2025”; H.R. 6365, the “Wintergreen Emergency Egress Act”; H.R. 6380, the “Chiricahua National Park Act”; and legislation on the American Products in Parks Act”, 2 p.m., 1324 Longworth.

*Committee on Oversight and Government Reform*, December 10, Subcommittee on Economic Growth, Energy Policy, and Regulatory Affairs; and Subcommittee on Health Care and Financial Services, joint hearing entitled “Lowering the Cost of Healthcare: Technology’s Role in Driving Affordability”, 10 a.m., HVC–210 Capitol.

December 10, Subcommittee on Cybersecurity, Information Technology, and Government Innovation, hearing entitled “Using Modern Tools to Counter Human Trafficking”, 2 p.m., 2247 Rayburn.

*Committee on Science, Space, and Technology*, December 10, Full Committee, hearing entitled “The Genesis Mission: Prioritizing American Science and Technology Leadership”, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

*Committee on Small Business*, December 10, Full Committee, hearing entitled “From Service to Startup: Empowering Veteran Entrepreneurs”, 10 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure*, December 11, Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings, and Emergency Management, hearing entitled “Cutting Costs, Adding Value: The Future of Federal Property”, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

*Committee on Veterans’ Affairs*, December 10, Subcommittee on Health, hearing entitled “Putting Families First: Strengthening CHAMPVA for Survivors and Dependents”, 2:15 p.m., 360 Cannon.

*Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence*, December 11, Subcommittee on Defense Intelligence and Overhead Architecture, hearing entitled “FY 2026 Department of Defense Proposal for Cover Enhancement Authority”, 1:30 p.m., HVC–304 Hearing Room. This hearing is closed.

*Select Committee on the Strategic Competition Between the United States and the Chinese Communist Party*, December 11, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Trojan Horse: China’s Auto Threat to America”, 10 a.m., 390 Cannon.

### Joint Meeting

*Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe*: December 10, to hold hearings to examine from production to procurement, focusing on how Europe and Ukraine are transforming defense supply chains, 2 p.m., 2358C–RHOB.

*Next Meeting of the SENATE*

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**Program for Tuesday:** Consideration of measures under suspension of the Rules.



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