**DATES:** The GMT webinar will be held Thursday, May 18, 2017, from 1 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.; or until business for each day is completed.

**ADDRESSES:** To attend the webinar (1) join the meeting by visiting this link http://www.gotomeeting.com/online/ webinar/join-webinar, (2) enter the Webinar ID: 349-453-339, and (3) enter your name and email address (required). After logging in to the webinar, please (1) dial this TOLL number 1-415-655-0060 (not a toll-free number), (2) enter the attendee phone audio access code 229-858-558, and (3) then enter your audio phone pin (shown after joining the webinar). NOTE: We have disabled Mic/Speakers as on option and require all participants to use a telephone or cell phone to participate. Technical Information and System Requirements: PC-based attendees are required to use Windows® 7. Vista, or XP: Mac®-based attendees are required to use Mac OS® X 10.5 or newer; Mobile attendees are required to use iPhone®, iPad®, Android™ phone or Android tablet (See the GoToMeeting WebinarApps). You may send an email to Mr. Kris Kleinschmidt at Kris.Kleinschmidt@ noaa.gov or contact him at 503-820-2280, extension 411 for technical assistance. A public listening station will also be available at the Pacific Council office.

Council address: Pacific Council, 7700 NE Ambassador Place, Suite 101, Portland, OR 97220–1384; telephone: (503) 820–2280.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ms. Kelly Ames, Pacific Council; phone: (503) 820–2426.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The primary purpose of the GMT webinar is to receive a presentation from NMFS on the analysis of trawl gear regulation changes, which are designed to reflect the individual accountability provided by the trawl catch share program. In March 2016, the Council recommended: Allowing vessels to carry and use multiple trawl gears types on a single

trip (fish caught using different gears must be stowed separately); eliminating minimum mesh size regulations for the codend and body of the net; eliminating restrictions on codends; eliminating chafing gear restrictions; allowing a new haul to be brought onboard and dumped before all catch from previous haul has been stowed; and changing the selective flatfish trawl gear definition and restrictions. The selective flatfish trawl gear definition would be changed to allow the use of four seams nets. Furthermore, the restriction that requires use of selective flatfish trawl gear shoreward of the Rockfish Conservation Area in the area north of 40°10′ N. latitude would be replaced by a restriction that requires use of small footrope trawl in that area. At its June 2016 meeting, the Pacific Council added to this list a recommendation to allow a vessel to fish in multiple management areas on the same trip and assign catch to management areas in proportion to the vessel's effort in each area on that trip. A detailed agenda for the webinar will be available on the Pacific Council's Web site prior to the meeting. The GMT may also address other assignments relating to groundfish management. No management actions will be decided by the GMT. The GMT's task will be to assist in the analysis as necessary. The GMT will provide a report summarizing the expected tasks and workload to the Pacific Council its June 2017 meeting.

Although nonemergency issues not contained in the meeting agenda may be discussed, those issues may not be the subject of formal action during these meetings. Action will be restricted to those issues specifically listed in this document and any issues arising after publication of this document that require emergency action under section 305(c) of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act, provided the public has been notified of the intent to take final action to address the emergency.

#### **Special Accommodations**

The public listening station is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Mr. Kris Kleinschmidt at (503) 820–2411 at least 10 business days prior to the meeting date.

Dated: May 3, 2017.

### Tracey L. Thompson,

Acting Deputy Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service. [FR Doc. 2017–09217 Filed 5–5–17; 8:45 am]

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#### **DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**

## Office of the Secretary

[Transmittal No. 17-15]

#### 36(b)(1) Arms Sales Notification

**AGENCY:** Defense Security Cooperation Agency, Department of Defense.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Defense is publishing the unclassified text of a section 36(b)(1) arms sales notification. This is published to fulfill the requirements of section 155 of Public Law 104–164 dated July 21, 1996.

## FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Kathy Valadez, (703) 697–9217 or Pamela Young, (703) 697–9107; DSCA/ DSA–RAN.

The following is a copy of a letter to the Speaker of the House of Representatives, Transmittal 17–15 with attached Policy Justification and Sensitivity of Technology.

Dated: May 3, 2017.

## Aaron Siegel,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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# DEFENSE SECURITY COOPERATION AGENCY

201 12TH STREET SOUTH, STE 203 ARLINGTON, VA 22202-5408

The Honorable Paul D. Ryan Speaker of the House U.S. House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515

APR 2 7 2017

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. 17-15, concerning the Army's

proposed Letter(s) of Offer and Acceptance to the Government of Greece for defense articles and
services estimated to cost \$80 million. After this letter is delivered to your office, we plan to
issue a news release to notify the public of this proposed sale.

Sincerely,

J. W. Rikèy Vice Admiral, USN

Director

## Enclosures:

- 1. Transmittal
- 2. Policy Justification
- 3. Sensitivity of Technology



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Transmittal No. 17-15

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 Greece
  - (ii) Total Estimated Value:

 Major Defense Equipment \*
 \$34 million

 Other
 \$46 million

 Total
 \$80 million

 (iii) Description and Quantity or

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

Five (5) CH–47D Aircraft Seven (7) Common Missile Warning Systems (CMWS) (one (1) for each aircraft plus two (2) spares)

Twelve (12) T55–GA–714A Turbine Engines (two (2) for each aircraft plus two (2) spares)

Non-MDE includes: Also under consideration for this sale is mission equipment, communications and navigation equipment, ground support equipment, special tools and test equipment, spares, publications, Maintenance Work Order/Engineering Change Proposals (MWO/ECPs), technical support, and training, and other associated support equipment and services

- (iv) Military Department: Army (v) Prior Related Cases, if any: GR–B– JBK, GR–B–XMH
- (vi) Sales Commission, Fee, etc., Paid, Offered, or Agreed to be Paid: None
- (vii) Sensitivity of Technology Contained in the Defense Article or Defense Services Proposed to be Sold: See Attached Annex
- (viii) Date Report Delivered to Congress: April 27, 2017
- \* As defined in Section 47(6) of the Arms Export Control Act.

## POLICY JUSTIFICATION

Government of Greece—CH-47D Helicopters

The Government of Greece requested the possible sale of five (5) CH–47D helicopters, seven (7) Common Missile Warning Systems (CMWS) (one (1) for each aircraft plus two (2) spares), and twelve (12) T55–GA–714A turbine engines (two (2) for each aircraft plus two (2) spares). Also included are mission equipment, communications and navigation equipment, ground support equipment, special tools and test equipment, spares, publications, Maintenance Work Order/Engineering Change Proposals (MWO/ECPs),

technical support, and training, and other associated support equipment and services. The total estimated cost is \$80 million.

This proposed sale will enhance the foreign policy and national security objectives of the United States by helping to improve the security of a NATO ally that has been, and continues to be, an important force for political stability and economic progress. Greece intends to use these defense articles and services to modernize its armed forces by increasing its rotary-wing transport capability. This will contribute to the Greek military's goal to upgrade its capability while further enhancing greater interoperability between Greece, the U.S. and other allies.

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

There is no principal contractor as the systems will be coming from U.S. Army stocks. There are no known offset agreements proposed in connection with this potential sale.

Implementation of this proposed sale will require U.S. Government or contractor representatives to travel to Greece for equipment de-processing/fielding, system checkout and new equipment training.

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

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Annex

Item No. vii

(vii) Sensitivity of Technology: 1. The CH–47D is a medium lift aircraft, remanufactured from CH-47A, B. and C aircraft. The CH-47D aircraft. which includes two T55-GA-714A turbine engines, has been identified as Major Defense Equipment (MDE). The avionic system in the CH-47D helicopter consists of the communications equipment providing HF (AN/ARC-220), VHF AM/FM (AN/ ARC-186) and UHF-AM (AN/ARC-164) communications. The voice secure equipment consists of the TSEC/KY-58 and the TSEC/KY-100. The navigation equipment includes ADF (AN/ARN-89 or 149, VOR ILS Marker Beacon, (AN/ ARN-123, Doppler/GPS (AN/ASN-128, Tactical Air Navigation (TACAN) System AN/ARN-154(V), VGH FM Homing (AN/ARC-201D) is provided through the FM communication radio. Transponder equipment (AN/APX-118) consists of an IFF receiver with inputs from the barometric altimeter for

altitude encoding. The AN/APX-118 and AN/APX-118A transponder is classified SECRET if Mode 4, or Mode 5 fill is installed in the equipment with a crypto device. Mission equipment consists of the radar signal detecting set, (AN/APR-39A(V)1) and the Common Missile Warning System (CMWS) (AN/ AAR-57). The AN/APR-39 Series Radar Warning Receiver sets are sensitive items are classified SECRET if the Unit Data Module has threat data software installed. The software for this system determines the classification. Normally a customer has specific software developed to meet their requirements.

- 2. All defense articles and services listed in this transmittal have been authorized for release and export to Greece.
- 3. A determination has been made that the Government of Greece can provide the same degree of protection for the sensitive technology being released as the U.S. Government. The sale is necessary in furtherance of the U.S. foreign policy and national security objectives as outlined in the Policy Justification of the notification.

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

## Office of the Secretary

[Transmittal No. 16-87]

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Dated: May 3, 2017.

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