

POLICY JUSTIFICATION

Egypt – High Mobility Multi-purpose Wheeled Vehicles

The Government of Egypt has requested a possible sale of 100 M1114 High Mobility Multi-purpose Wheeled Vehicles (HMMWV), 400 M1113 HMMWVs, 50 M997A2 HMMWV ambulances, spare engines, spare and repair parts, test and tool sets, personnel training and equipment, publications, a U.S. Government and contractor engineering and logistics personnel services, Quality Assurance Team, and other related elements of logistics support. The estimated cost is \$109 million.

This proposed sale will contribute to the foreign policy and national security of the United States by helping to improve the security of a friendly country which has been and continues to be an important force for political stability and economic progress in the Middle East.

These vehicles will enhance Egypt's force modernization efforts and provide an all-terrain mode of transportation for its ground forces. Fifty of these vehicles will be configured as ambulances. Egypt, which already has the proposed items in its inventory, will have no difficulty absorbing these trucks.

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

The prime contractor will be AM General of South Bend, Indiana. There are no offset agreements proposed in connection with this potential sale.

Implementation of this proposed sale will require the assignment of a Quality Assurance team for a three-month interval, twice annually, to prepare for operational use and insure full mission capability of the vehicles. There will be one contractor representative for a period of two years in Egypt.

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

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

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36(b)(1) Arms Sales Notification

AGENCY: Department of Defense, Defense Security Cooperation Agency.

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 21 July 1996.

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The following is a copy of a letter to the Speaker of the House of Representatives, Transmittal 03-31 with attached transmittal and policy justification.

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