

Transmittal No. 03-32

**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 Modernized Target Acquisition and Designation Sight/Pilot Night Vision Sensor (M-TADS/M-PNVS) is an enhanced version of its predecessor, the TADS/PNVS. The M-TADS will provide second-generation day, night, and limited adverse weather target information, as well as night navigation capabilities. The M-PNVS will provide second-generation thermal imaging that permits safer nap-of-the-earth flight to, from and within the battle area, while the M-TADS provides the co-pilot gunner with improved search, detection, recognition, and designation by means of Direct View Optics (DVO), I2 television, second-generation Forward Looking Infrared (FLIR) sighting systems that may be used singly or in combinations. The hardware and releasable technical manuals are unclassified.

2. Sensitive technological information and/or restricted information pertaining to the M-TADS/M-PNVS will not be included in the export version transferred to the Netherlands. Reverse engineering is not a major concern if the hardware, publications, software, etc, are lost to a technologically advanced or competent adversary.

3. A determination has been made that the Netherlands 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.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**Office of the Secretary****[Transmittal No. 03-34]****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 03-34 with attached transmittal, policy justification, and Sensitivity of Technology.

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