

g. The United States Marine Corps (USMC) is currently developing an upgrade to its M1A1 fleet Firepower Enhancement Program Gunner's Primary Sight (GPS) that includes the addition of "second generation" thermal sight technology to the Thermal Imaging System portion of the GPS. The upgrade uses subsystems that are virtually identical to those used in the M1A1 CITV to improve sight resolution and performance over the current M1A1 Thermal Imaging System. As with the CITV, the highest level of classified information that could be disclosed is Secret.

h. The Advanced Non-DU Armor package replaces the base armor package in the turret front, providing significantly increased protection against Kinetic Energy and Chemical Energy threats. The Advanced Non-DU Armor is classified Secret.

i. The Improved Side Armor provides significantly improved crew turret side protection over armor currently in Egyptian M1A1 turrets. The design and protection levels are classified as Secret.

2. If a technologically advanced adversary were to obtain knowledge of the specific hardware and software elements, the information could be used to develop countermeasures which might reduce weapon system effectiveness or be used in the development of a system with similar or advanced capabilities.

3. A determination has been made that Egypt 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.