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Iraq – Air Traffic Control and Landing System

WASHINGTON, August 15, 2012 – The Defense Security Cooperation Agency notified Congress today of a possible Foreign Military Sale to the Government of Iraq for commercially available Federal Aviation Administration Air Traffic Control and Landing System/Navigational Aids and associated equipment, parts, training and logistical support at an estimated cost of \$60 million

The Government of Iraq has requested a proposed sale of commercially available Federal Aviation Administration Air Traffic Control and Landing System/Navigational Aids. The system will include an ASR-11 Radar, Autotrac II simulator, Instrument Landing System, and Airfield Lighting System, spare and repair parts, support equipment, personnel training and training equipment, publications and technical documentation, site survey, installation, U.S. Government and contractor engineering and logistics support services, and other related elements of logistics and program support. The estimated cost is \$60 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.

The proposed sale will contribute to Iraq's continued efforts toward rebuilding their airfield systems at Tikrit Air Base for near-term basing of multiple aircraft. The renovations and upgrades to the airfield and its systems will allow for greater ease in launch and recovery of aircraft and will benefit the overall sustainment of aircraft and affiliated systems over time. This equipment aids Iraq's continuing reconstruction effort that directly improves Iraq's ability to control its own airspace.

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

The prime contractor is unknown and will be selected through competitive process. There are no known offset agreements proposed in connection with this potential sale.

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

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

This notice of a potential sale is required by law and does not mean the sale has been concluded.