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Egypt – Service Life Extension Program for F-110-GE-100 Engines

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18, 2009 – The Defense Security Cooperation Agency notified Congress Dec. 17 of a possible Foreign Military Sale to Egypt of modification and installation of part kits to upgrade 156 F-110-GE-100 engines through the Service Life Extension Program (SLEP) and associated parts, equipment, training and logistical support for a complete package worth approximately \$750 million.

The Government of Egypt has requested a possible sale of modification and installation of part kits to upgrade 156 F-110-GE-100 engines through the Service Life Extension Program (SLEP). The upgrades will be spread out over a six to seven year period in increments of approximately 24 engines being upgraded each year. Also included: transportation, spare and repair parts, support equipment, publications and technical documentation, U.S. Government and contractor technical support, and other related elements of program support. The estimated cost is \$750 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.

Egypt will use these engine upgrades to enable continued operation of its current F-16 fleet, ensuring the Egyptian Air Force's (EAF) capability to train with U.S. and coalition forces. The upgrades will allow the EAF to continue defending Egypt's national security and protecting its borders. Egypt will have no difficulty absorbing these upgrades into its armed forces.

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

The prime contractor will be General Electric Aviation of Cincinnati, Ohio. There are no known offset agreements proposed in connection with this potential sale.

Implementation of this proposed sale requires the assignment of five additional contractor representatives to Egypt for a period of six years to provide training and technical assistance.

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.