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Iraq – Various Radios and Communication Equipment

WASHINGTON, May 3, 2011 – The Defense Security Cooperation Agency notified Congress today of a possible Foreign Military Sale to the Government of Iraq of various radios and communication equipment, as well as associated equipment, parts, training and logistical support for an estimated cost of \$67 million.

The Government of Iraq has requested a possible sale of (750) 50-Watt Vehicular Multiband Handheld Radio Systems, (900) 5-watt Multiband Handheld Radio Systems, (50) 50-watt Multiband Handheld Base Station Radio Systems, (50) 20-watt High Frequency (HF) Base Station Radio Systems, (100) 5-watt Secure Personal Role Handheld Radio Systems, accessories, installation, spare and repair parts, support equipment, publications and technical data, personnel training and training equipment, U.S. Government and contractor engineering and technical support services, and other related elements of logistics support. The estimated cost is \$67 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. This proposed sale directly supports the Iraq government and serves the interests of the Iraqi people and the U.S.

The proposed sale of the radios and communications equipment will advance Iraq's efforts to develop a strong Federal Police Force. The communications equipment will provide Iraq with updated frequency-hopping capabilities as well as a digital data capability. This expansion will enable Iraq to equip new forces to assume the missions currently accomplished by U.S. and coalition forces and to sustain itself in its efforts to establish stability.

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

The prime contractor will be The Harris Corporation in White Plains, New York. There are no known offset agreements proposed in connection with this potential sale.

Implementation of this proposed sale will require six contractor personnel to travel to Iraq for operator & maintenance instruction (four weeks each) and installation support (six increments, for two weeks per visit).

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.