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## **Kuwait - Facilities and Infrastructure Construction Support Services**

WASHINGTON, Jun 30, 2014 – The State Department has made a determination approving a possible Foreign Military Sale to Kuwait for facilities and infrastructure construction support services and associated equipment, parts, training and logistical support for an estimated cost of \$1.7 billion. The Defense Security Cooperation Agency delivered the required certification notifying Congress of this possible sale on Jun 30, 2014.

The Government of Kuwait has requested a possible sale for the design, construction, procurement of medical, non-medical, and information technology equipment, and operation and maintenance for the Kuwait Armed Forces Hospital. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) will provide project management, engineering, planning, design, acquisition, contract administration, construction management, and other technical services for construction of facilities and infrastructure for the hospital. The overall project will also include a new central utilities plant, site utilities, site improvements, covered parking, parking access and roads, and an enclosed pedestrian circulation connector for the new complex to the existing Armed Forces Hospital. The estimated cost is \$1.7 billion.

The proposed sale will contribute to the foreign policy and national security of the United States by supporting the infrastructure needs of a friendly country which has been and continues to be an important force for political stability and economic progress in the Middle East.

The facility scope of work is similar to other facilities built in the past by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers in other Middle Eastern countries. This facility will provide healthcare services for members of the Kuwait uniformed services, their dependents and other eligible beneficiaries. Services will include ambulatory and inpatient services for tertiary level care, emergency medicine with Level I Trauma certification capability, and clinical support activities. The construction of this hospital will enable Kuwait to support the operational effectiveness of its military and to promote security and stability throughout Kuwait. Kuwait will have no difficulty absorbing this additional capability into its armed forces.

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

The USACE is the principal organization that will direct and manage this program. The USACE will provide services through both in-house personnel and contract services. There are no known offset agreements proposed in connection with this potential sale.

The estimated number of U.S. Government and contractor representatives to be assigned to Kuwait to implement the provisions of this proposed sale will be determined as a result of program definitization.

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.

All questions regarding this proposed Foreign Military Sale should be directed to the State Department's Bureau of Political Military Affairs, Office of Congressional and Public Affairs, [pm-cpa@state.gov](mailto:pm-cpa@state.gov).