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Canada – MK-48 Mod 7 Advanced Technology (AT) Torpedo Kits

WASHINGTON, Sep 24, 2014 - The State Department has made a determination approving a possible Foreign Military Sale to Canada for MK-48 Mod 7 Advanced Technology (AT) Torpedo Kits aircraft and associated equipment, parts, training and logistical support for an estimated cost of \$41 million. The Defense Security Cooperation Agency delivered the required certification notifying Congress of this possible sale today.

The Government of Canada has requested a possible sale of 12 MK-48 Mod 7 Advanced Technology Torpedo Conversion Kits with containers, spare and repair parts, weapon system support and integration, publications and technical documentation, personnel training and training equipment, U.S. Government and contractor engineering and technical, and logistics support services, and other related elements of logistics support. These kits will upgrade 12 of Canada's existing inventory of MK-48 torpedoes from Mod 4 to Mod 7. The estimated cost is \$41 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 NATO ally that has been, and continues to be, a key democratic partner of the United States in ensuring peace and stability.

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

Canada intends to use the MK 48 Mod 7AT Torpedoes on its Royal Canadian Navy's Victoria (formerly Upholder) Class submarines. Canada has significant relevant infrastructure and experience with modern torpedoes, including MK-48 Mod 4/4M and MK-46 Mod 5A (SW) torpedoes. Canada will have no difficulty absorbing these additional conversion kits.

The principal contractor will be Lockheed Martin Sippican, Inc. in Marion, Massachusetts. 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 Canada.

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.