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Japan – Mission Equipment for AWACS Aircraft

WASHINGTON, November 30, 2010 – The Defense Security Cooperation Agency notified Congress November 29 of a possible Foreign Military Sale to the Government of Japan for installation and checkout of mission equipment for AWACS aircraft and associated equipment, parts, training and logistical support for an estimated cost of \$119 million.

The Government of Japan has requested installation and checkout of four previously procured Radar System Improvement Program (RSIP) Group A and B kits in E-767 Airborne Warning and Control Systems (AWACS). Also provided are the transportation of the E-767s to/from Japan, spare and repair parts, support and test equipment, publications and technical documentation, U.S. Government and contractor personnel support services, and other related program elements to ensure complete AWACS mission equipment supportability. The estimated cost is \$119 million.

Japan is one of the major political and economic powers in East Asia and the Western Pacific and a key ally of the United States in ensuring peace and stability in that region. It is vital to the U.S. national interest to assist Japan with developing and maintaining a strong and ready self-defense capability, which will contribute to an acceptable military balance in the region. The proposed sale is consistent with U.S. objectives and the 1960 Treaty of Mutual Cooperation and Security.

Japan previously purchased four sets of AWACS RSIP Group A and B kits mission equipment to enhance the operational capability of its E-767 radar electronic counter-measures, and now requires this Installation and Checkout to integrate extended Airborne Early Warning (AEW) capability as well as enhanced command, control and communications (C3).

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

The prime contractor will be Boeing Aerospace Company in Seattle, Washington. 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 and contractor representatives to Japan.

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.