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## **NATO – C-17 Follow-On Support**

WASHINGTON, April 17, 2013 – The Defense Security Cooperation Agency notified Congress April 16 of a possible Foreign Military Sale to a NATO consortium for follow-on contractor logistics support for NATO Airlift Management Program C-17 aircraft and associated equipment, parts, training and logistical support for an estimated cost of \$300 million.

An international consortium made up of allies in the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) together with Sweden and Finland, requests a possible sale of follow-on contractor logistics support for NATO Airlift Management Program C-17 aircraft, to include participation in the Global Reach Improvement Program, alternate mission equipment, publications and technical data, spare and repair parts, support equipment, personnel training and training equipment, U.S. Government and contractor technical assistance and other related elements of logistics support. The estimated cost is \$300 million.

This proposed sale of contractor logistics support will contribute to the foreign policy and national security objectives of the United States by improving the military capabilities of NATO and furthering weapon system standardization and interoperability with U.S. forces. NATO allies have used C-17 aircraft to increase the capability, usability, and deployability of their forces

The proposed sale of support will allow the NATO Airlift Management Program Office to continue to maintain and operate NATO C-17s in support of NATO missions.

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

This prime contractor will be The Boeing Company in Huntington Beach, California. There are no known offset agreements proposed in connection with this potential sale.

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.