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Qatar- RIM-116C and RIM-116C-2 Rolling Airframe Missiles

WASHINGTON, Apr. 22, 2016 - The State Department has made a determination approving a possible Foreign Military Sale to Qatar for RIM-116C and RIM-116C-2 Rolling Airframe Missiles and associated equipment, training, and support. The estimated cost is \$260 million. The Defense Security Cooperation Agency delivered the required certification notifying Congress of this possible sale on April 21, 2016.

The Government of Qatar has requested a possible sale of two-hundred and fifty-two (252) RIM-116C Rolling Airframe Tactical Missiles, and two (2) RIM 116C-2 Rolling Airframe Telemetry Missiles. Also included are support equipment, publications and technical documentation, personnel training, U.S. Government and contractor engineering, technical and logistics support services, live fire test event support, and other related integration elements. The total estimated value of MDE is \$227 million. The overall total estimated value is \$260 million.

This proposed sale contributes to the foreign policy and national security of the United States by helping to improve the security of a friendly country. Qatar is an important force for political stability and economic progress in the Persian Gulf region. This proposed sale will provide Qatar with military capabilities to protect its naval forces and nearby oil/gas infrastructure from air and missile threats. Qatar will have no difficulty absorbing these missiles into its armed forces.

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

The principal contractor will be Raytheon Missile Systems in Tucson, Arizona. There are no known offset agreements proposed in connection with this potential sale.

Implementation of this proposed sale will require multiple trips by U.S. Government and contractor representatives to participate in program and technical reviews, system integration, as well as training and maintenance support in country for a period of thirty-six (36) months.

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.