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**Kingdom of Saudi Arabia (KSA) – Ammunition for the Royal Saudi Land Forces (RSLF)**

WASHINGTON, Jul 29, 2015 - The State Department has made a determination approving a possible Foreign Military Sale to the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia for ammunition for the Royal Saudi Land Forces (RSLF) and associated equipment, parts and logistical support for an estimated cost of \$500 million. The Defense Security Cooperation Agency delivered the required certification notifying Congress of this possible sale today.

The Kingdom of Saudi Arabia has requested a possible sale of (1,000,000) 430/M430A1 40mm High Explosive Dual Purpose (HEDP) Cartridges, (60,000) M456A1 105mm High Explosive Anti-Tank Tracer (HEAT-T) Cartridges, and (60,000) M107 155mm High Explosive (HE) Projectiles. Additional items included are M62 7.62mm 4 Ball/1 Tracer Linked Cartridges, .50 Cal Linked Cartridges (4 Armor Piercing Incendiary (API)/1 Armor Piercing Incendiary Tracer (API-T)), M792 25mm High Explosive Incendiary Tracer (HEI-T) Cartridges, M789 30mm High Explosive Dual Purpose (HEDP) Cartridges, M889A2 81mm High Explosive (HE) Cartridges with M783 Fuzes, 2.75 Inch Rockets with M151 High Explosive (HE) Warhead and Point-Detonating (PD) Fuzes, 105mm High Explosive (HE) M1 Cartridges without Fuzes, M557 Point-Detonating (PD) Fuzes, M4A2 155mm Propellant Charges, M3A1 155mm Propellant Charges, M82 Percussion Primers, M1A2 Bangalore Torpedoes, M18A/M18A1 Claymore Mines, M67 Fragmentation Hand Grenades, and Guided Precision Aerial Delivery System (GPADS). Also included are spare and repair parts, lot validation, publications and technical documentation, personnel training/training equipment, Quality Assurance Team, U.S. Government and contractor technical/logistics support services, and other related elements of logistics and program support. The estimated total cost is \$500 million.

This proposed sale will contribute to the foreign policy and national security objectives of the United States by helping to improve the security of a strategic partner which has been, and continues to be, an important force for political stability and economic progress in the Middle East.

The proposed sale will resupply the Royal Saudi Land Forces (RSLF) with the munitions it needs to continue to protect Saudi Arabia's southern border from ongoing attacks by hostile Houthi militia and Al-Qaida in the Arabian Peninsula forces. Saudi Arabia will have no difficulty absorbing these items into its inventory.

The proposed sale of this ammunition will not alter the basic military balance in the region.

The principal contractor for GPADS will be Airborne Systems North America in Pennsauken, New Jersey. The remaining items will be procured from a combination of Army stocks and new procurement. The principal contractors for these items are unknown at this time. There are no known offset agreements proposed in connection with this potential sale.

Implementation of this sale will not require the assignment of any additional U.S. Government or contractor representatives to Saudi Arabia. However, travel may be required for new equipment set up, training, and technical support. The number and duration will be determined during contract negotiations.

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).