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Singapore – AN/TPQ-53 Counter fire Acquisition Radar Systems

WASHINGTON, Oct. 8, 2013 – The Defense Security Cooperation Agency notified Congress today of a possible Foreign Military Sale to Singapore of 6 AN/TPQ-53 (V) Counterfire Target Acquisition Radar Systems and associated equipment, parts, training and logistical support for an estimated cost of \$179 million.

The Government of Singapore has requested a possible sale of 6 AN/TPQ-53 (V) Counterfire Target Acquisition Radar Systems with 120 degree sector scan capability, software support, support equipment, simulator, generators, power units, publications and technical documentation, spare and repair parts, live fire exercise, communication support equipment, tool and test equipment, personnel training and training equipment, U.S. Government and contractor technical and logistic support services, repair and return, Quality Assurance Teams, and other related elements or program and logistics support. The estimated cost is \$179 million.

This proposed sale will contribute to the foreign policy and national security of the United States by increasing the ability of the Republic of Singapore to contribute to regional security. Its contributions to counter-piracy and counterterrorism efforts continue to stabilize a critical chokepoint where much of the world's goods and services transit en route to and from the Asia Pacific region. The proposed sale will 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 Asia Pacific region.

The Government of Singapore intends to use these radar systems to modernize its armed forces. The purchase of these target acquisition radars will enhance the Singapore Army's foundational defense capability. The radars will reduce the vulnerability of forces to indirect fire attacks and provide them with the information necessary to respond to such attacks. The proposed sale provides the Government of Singapore with assets vital to protect and deter potential threats. Singapore will have no difficulty absorbing this equipment into its armed forces.

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

The principal contractor will be Lockheed Martin Corporation in Syracuse, New York. There are no known offset agreements proposed in connection with the potential sale.

Implementation of this proposed sale will require the U.S. Government and contractor representatives to travel to Singapore for a period of six (6) weeks for equipment deprocessing/fielding, systems checkout and new equipment training.

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.