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Government of Thailand - Evolved Seasparrow Missiles (ESSM)

WASHINGTON, Oct. 29, 2015 - The State Department has made a determination approving a possible Foreign Military Sale to Thailand of Evolved Seasparrow Missiles (ESSM) and associated equipment, parts and logistical support for an estimated cost of \$26.9 million. The Defense Security Cooperation Agency delivered the required certification notifying Congress of this possible sale on October 28, 2015.

The Government of Thailand requested a possible sale of Major Defense Equipment for its Evolved Seasparrow Missile (ESSM) program. The total estimated value of MDE is \$18,570,385. The total overall estimated value is \$26,943,445.

Major Defense Equipment (MDE) includes:

Sixteen (16) Evolved Seasparrow Missiles (ESSM) (Fourteen (14) tactical missiles and two (2) telemetry missiles)
Three (3) MK25 Quad Pack canisters
Ten (10) MK783 shipping containers

Also included with this request is additional equipment; training; and technical services.

This proposed sale will contribute to the foreign policy and national security of the United States by increasing the ability of Thailand to contribute to regional security and improving interoperability with the U.S. Navy.

Thailand will use the ESSM to provide ship battlespace self-defense and firepower, which will improve its capability to meet current and future naval threats.

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

The principal contractors are:

Raytheon Missile Systems (RMS)

BAE Systems

SAAB, 9LV MK4 Combat Management System

Lockheed Martin

Tucson, Arizona

Aberdeen, South Dakota

Sweden

Baltimore, MD

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 or contractor representatives to Thailand.

There is 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.