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<u>United Arab Emirates – Army Tactical Missile Systems (ATACMS)</u> <u>T2K Unitary Missiles/Low Cost Reduced-Range Practice Rockets</u>

WASHINGTON, November 4, 2010 – The Defense Security Cooperation Agency notified Congress November 3 of a possible Foreign Military Sale to the Government of the United Arab Emirates of 100 Army Tactical Missile Systems (ATACMS) and 60 Low Cost Reduced-Range Practice Rockets (LCRRPR), as well as associated equipment, training and logistical support for a total package worth approximately \$140 million.

The Government of the United Arab Emirates has requested a possible sale of 100 Army Tactical Missile Systems (ATACMS), 60 Low Cost Reduced-Range Practice Rockets (LCRRPR), publications and technical documentation, training, U.S. government and contractor technical and engineering support, and other related elements of program support. The estimated cost is \$140 million.

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

The United Arab Emirates intends to use these defense articles and services to modernize its armed forces and expand existing army architecture to counter threats posed by potential attack. This will contribute to the UAE military's goal of updating capability while further enhancing interoperability with the U.S. and other allies.

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

The prime contractor will be Lockheed Martin Industries located in Horizon City, Texas and Camden, Arkansas. There are no known offset agreements proposed in connection with this potential sale.

Implementation of this proposed sale will require the assignment of up to 10 U.S. government or contractor representatives to travel to the United Arab Emirates for a period of up to one year for equipment de-processing/fielding, system checkout and 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.