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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

[Transmittal No. 24-75]

Arms Sales Notification

AGENCY: Defense Security Cooperation Agency, Department of Defense (DoD).

ACTION: Arms sales notice.

SUMMARY: The DoD is publishing the unclassified text of an arms sales notification.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This 36(b)(1) arms sales notification is published to fulfill the requirements of section 155 of Public Law 104-164 dated July 21, 1996. The following is a copy of a letter to the Speaker of the House of Representatives with attached Transmittal 24-75, Policy Justification, and Sensitivity of Technology.

Dated: November 18, 2025.

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Department of Defense.



DEFENSE SECURITY COOPERATION AGENCY
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The Honorable Mike Johnson
Speaker of the House
U.S. House of Representatives
H-209, The Capitol
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Mr. Speaker:

Pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act, as amended, we are forwarding herewith Transmittal No. 24-75, concerning the Army's proposed Letter(s) of Offer and Acceptance to the Government of Norway for defense articles and services estimated to cost \$580 million. We will issue a news release to notify the public of this proposed sale upon delivery of this letter to your office.

Sincerely,

Michael F. Miller
Acting Director

Enclosures:

1. Transmittal
2. Policy Justification
3. Sensitivity of Technology

Notice of Proposed Issuance of Letter of Offer
Pursuant to Section 36(b)(1)
of the Arms Export Control Act, as amended

(i) Prospective Purchaser: Government of Norway

(ii) Total Estimated Value:

Major Defense Equipment*	\$510 million
Other	<u>\$ 70 million</u>
TOTAL	\$580 million

(iii) Description and Quantity or Quantities of Articles or Services under Consideration for Purchase:

Major Defense Equipment (MDE):

Sixteen (16) M142 High Mobility Artillery Rocket Systems (HIMARS)
Fifteen (15) M30A2 Guided Multiple Launch Rocket System (GMLRS)
Alternative Warhead (AW) pods with Insensitive Munitions Propulsion System (IMPS)
Fifteen (15) M31A2 GMLRS Unitary (GMLRS-U) high explosive pods with IMPS
One hundred (100) M57 Army Tactical Missile System (ATACMS) pods

Non-Major Defense Equipment:

The following non-MDE items will also be included: Low Cost Reduced Range Practice Rocket (LCRRPR) pods; interactive electronic technical manuals; integration support services; spare parts; tool kits; test equipment; contractor logistics support; training; training equipment; technical assistance; technical publications; transportation; and other related elements of logistics and program support.

(iv) Military Department: Army (NO-B-VSA)

(v) Prior Related Cases, if any: None

(vi) Sales Commission, Fee, etc., Paid, Offered, or Agreed to be Paid: None

(vii) Sensitivity of Technology Contained in the Defense Article or Defense Services Proposed to be Sold: See Attached Annex

(i) Date Report Delivered to Congress: **August 9, 2024**

* as defined in Section 47(6) of the Arms Export Control Act.

POLICY JUSTIFICATION

Norway – M142 High Mobility Artillery Rocket Systems

The Government of Norway has requested to buy sixteen (16) M142 High Mobility Artillery Rocket Systems (HIMARS); fifteen (15) M30A2 Guided Multiple Launch Rocket System (GMLRS) Alternative Warhead (AW) pods with Insensitive Munitions Propulsion System (IMPS); fifteen (15) M31A2 GMLRS Unitary (GMLRS-U) high explosive pods with IMPS; and one hundred (100) M57 Army Tactical Missile System (ATACMS) pods. Also included are Low Cost Reduced Range Practice Rocket (LCRRPR) pods; interactive electronic technical manuals; integration support services; spare parts; tool kits; test equipment; contractor logistics support; training; training equipment; technical assistance; technical publications; transportation; and other related elements of logistics and program support. The estimated total program cost is \$580 million.

This proposed sale will support the foreign policy goals and national security objectives of the United States by improving the security of a NATO Ally that is an important force for political stability and economic progress in Europe.

The proposed sale will improve Norway's capability to meet current and future threats and enhance its interoperability with U.S. and other allied forces. It will also enhance Norway's artillery and mid-range fire capability. Norway 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, located in Grand Prairie, TX. The purchaser typically requests offsets. Any offset agreement will be defined in negotiations between the purchaser and the contractor.

Implementation of this proposed sale will require up to eight (8) U.S. Government and up to five (5) contractor representatives to travel to Norway for program management reviews to support the program. Travel is expected to occur approximately twice per year as needed to support equipment fielding and training.

There will be no adverse impact on U.S. defense readiness as a result of this proposed sale.

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Annex
Item No. vii

(vii) Sensitivity of Technology:

1. The M142 High Mobility Artillery Rocket System (HIMARS) is a C-130 transportable wheeled launcher mounted on a 5 ton Family of Medium Tactical Vehicles truck chassis. HIMARS is the modern Army-fielded version of the Multiple Launch Rocket System (MLRS) M270 launcher and can fire all of the MLRS Family of Munitions (FOM), including the Guided Multiple Launch Rocket System (GMLRS) and Army Tactical Missile System (ATACMS). Utilizing the MLRS FOM, the HIMARS can engage targets between 15 and 300 kilometers with GPS-aided precision accuracy.
2. The GMLRS M31A2 Unitary is the Army's primary munition for units fielding the M142 HIMARS and M270A1 Multiple Launcher Rocket System (MLRS) launchers. The M31 Unitary is a solid propellant artillery rocket that uses Global Positioning System/Precise Positioning Service (GPS/PPS)-aided inertial guidance provided by Selective Availability Anti-Spoofing Module (SAASM) or M-Code. It accurately and quickly delivers a single high-explosive blast fragmentation warhead to targets at ranges from 15-70 kilometers. The rockets are fired from a launch pod container that also serves as the storage and transportation container for the rockets. Each rocket pod holds six (6) total rockets.
3. The M30A2 GMLRS Alternative Warhead shares a greater than 90% commonality with the M31A1 Unitary. The primary difference between the GMLRS-U and GMLRS-AW is the replacement of the GMLRS-U's high explosive warhead with a 200-pound fragmentation warhead of pre-formed tungsten penetrators which is optimized for effectiveness against large area and imprecisely located targets. The munitions otherwise share a common motor, GPS/PPS-aided inertial guidance provided by Selective Availability Anti-Spoofing Module (SAASM) or M-Code, control system, fusing mechanism, multi-option height of burst capability, and effective range between 15 and 70 kilometers.
4. The M57 Army Tactical Missile System (ATACMS) is a conventional, semi-ballistic missile that utilizes a 500-pound high explosive warhead. It has an effective range of between 70 and 300 kilometers and has increased lethality and accuracy over previous versions of the ATACMS due to a GPS/PPS aided navigation system provided by Selective Availability Anti-Spoofing Module (SAASM) or M-Code.
5. The highest level of classification of defense articles, components, and services included in this potential sale is SECRET.
6. If a technologically advanced adversary were to obtain knowledge of the specific hardware and software elements, the information could be used to develop countermeasures that might reduce weapon system effectiveness or be used in the development of a system with similar or advanced capabilities.

7. A determination has been made that Norway can provide substantially the same degree of protection for the sensitive technology being released as the U.S. Government. This sale is necessary in furtherance of the U.S. foreign policy and national security objectives outlined in the Policy Justification.

8. All defense articles and services listed in this transmittal have been authorized for release and export to the Government of Norway.

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