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Iraq – RAPISCAN System Vehicles

WASHINGTON, February 28, 2013 – The Defense Security Cooperation Agency notified Congress Feb. 27 of a possible Foreign Military Sale to Iraq for a number of RAPISCAN System Vehicles and associated equipment, parts, training and logistical support for an estimated cost of \$600 million.

The Government of Iraq has requested a possible sale of 90 M45 RAPISCAN Mobile Eagle High Energy Mobile System Vehicles, 40 M60 RAPISCAN Mobile Eagle High Energy Mobile System Vehicles, 70 American Science and Engineering brand Z Backscatter Vans, spare and repair parts, support equipment, personnel training and training equipment, Quality Assurance Teams, tools and test equipment, publications and technical data, U.S. Government and contractor technical assistance, and other related logistical support. The estimated cost is \$600 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. This proposed sale directly supports the Iraqi government and serves the interests of the Iraqi people and the United States.

This proposed sale of RAPISCAN systems and vehicles will contribute to a stable, sovereign, and democratic Iraq. The purchase and use of these systems will facilitate progress toward this goal by increasing the Government of Iraq's ability to defend critical infrastructure and reduce terror and insurgent activities. The Z Backscatter vans will be used to scan vehicle interiors and will provide the Government of Iraq a tool to restrict the ability of insurgent and terrorist groups to operate by detecting contraband movement through borders and checkpoints. Iraq will have no difficulty absorbing this equipment.

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

The prime contractors will be Rapiscan Systems in Torrance, California; and American Science and engineering in Billerica, Massachusetts. There are no known offset agreements proposed in connection with this potential sale.

Implementation of this proposed sale will require contractor representatives (30 from Rapiscan and 15 from American Science and Engineering) to travel to Iraq for a period of three years to provide management, and operation and maintenance 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.