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**Taipei Economic and Cultural Representative Office in the United States -  
TOW 2B Aero Radio Frequency (RF) Missile (BGM-71F-Series), Support and  
Training**

WASHINGTON, Dec, 16, 2015 - The State Department has made a determination approving a possible Foreign Military Sale to the Taipei Economic and Cultural Representative Office in the United States for TOW 2B Aero Radio Frequency (RF) Missile (BGM-71F-Series), support and training. The estimated cost is \$268 million. The Defense Security Cooperation Agency delivered the required certification notifying Congress of this possible sale today.

The Taipei Economic and Cultural Representative Office in the United States has requested a possible sale of:

Major Defense Equipment (MDE):

Seven hundred sixty-nine (769) TOW 2B Aero, Radio Frequency (RF)

Missiles (BGM-71F- Series)

Fourteen (14) TOW 2B Aero, Radio Frequency (RF) (BGM-71F-Series)

Fly-to-Buy Missiles Forty-six (46) Improved Target Acquisition System (ITAS)

Four (4) ITAS spares

Also included are the following non-MDE: Missile Support Equipment, Government-Furnished Equipment, Technical Manuals/Publications, Spare Parts, Tool and Test Equipment, Training, U.S. Government Technical Support/Logistical Support, Contractor Technical Support, and other associated equipment and services.

This sale is consistent with United States law and policy as expressed in Public Law 96-8.

This proposed sale serves U.S. national, economic, and security interests by supporting the recipient's continuing efforts to modernize its armed forces and enhance its defensive capability. The proposed sale will help improve the security of the recipient and assist in maintaining political stability, military balance, and economic progress in the region.

The proposed sale of TOW 2B Missiles, ITAS Launchers, and technical support will advance the recipient's efforts to develop an integrated ground defense capability. A strong national defense and dedicated military force will assist the recipient in its efforts to maintain stability. The recipient 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 involved in this program is Raytheon Missile Systems (RMS) of Tucson, Arizona, and McKinney, Texas. The purchaser normally requests industrial cooperation at forty percent, but at this time there are no known offset agreements proposed in connection with this potential sale.

Implementation of this proposed sale will require the U.S. Government or contractor representatives to travel to the recipient for multiple periods for equipment de-processing/ fielding, system checkout, and new equipment training. There will be no more than ten contractor personnel at any one time and all efforts will take less than 16 weeks in total.

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.

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](mailto:pm-cpa@state.gov).