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Memo For Secretary of Defense

Under Secretary of Defense (Policy)
Assistant Secretary of Defense (ISA)

I have forwarded the Stinger notification for Saudi Arabia today. Dr. Schneider, Under Secretary of State, and I have discussed it and he recommended that we follow with Jordan tomorrow so as the two appear not to be directly related.

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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20301

8 FEB 1984

In reply refer to:
I-00073/84



Dr. Hans Binnendijk
Professional Staff Member
Committee on Foreign Relations
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

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Dear Dr. Binnendijk:

By letter dated 18 February 1976, the Director, Defense Security Assistance Agency, indicated that you would be advised of possible transmittals to Congress of information as required by Section 36(b) of the Arms Export Control Act. At the instruction of the Department of State, I wish to provide the following advance notification.

The Department of State is considering an offer to a Middle Eastern country tentatively estimated to cost in excess of \$50 million.

Sincerely,

Signed

PHILIP C. CAST
LIEUTENANT GENERAL, USAF
DIRECTOR

Attachments .

Same ltr to: House Committee on Foreign Affairs
Senate Committee on Armed Services
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TRANSMITTAL No. 84-AH

ADVANCE NOTIFICATION OF POSSIBLE SECTION 36(b) STATEMENTS
FOREIGN MILITARY SALES

- a. ~~(S)~~ Prospective Purchaser: Saudi Arabia
- b. ~~(S)~~ Description and Quantity or Quantities of Articles or Services under Consideration for Purchase:
A quantity of 400 STINGER systems and 800 STINGER missile rounds with support and training equipment, spare parts, and technical support.
- c. ~~(S)~~ Estimated Value(s) of this Case: \$141 million
- d. ~~(S)~~ Description of Total Program of which this Case is a Part:
Same as b above.
- e. ~~(S)~~ Estimated Value of Total Program of which this Case is a Part:
Same as c above.
- f. (U) Prior Related Cases, if any:
None
- g. ~~(S)~~ Military Department: Army (VFT)
- h. ~~(S)~~ Estimated Date Letter of Offer/Acceptance (LOA) Ready for Formal Notification to Congress: FEB 1984
- i. ~~(S)~~ Date Advance Notification Delivered to Congress: 8 FEB 1984

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POLICY JUSTIFICATION

Saudi Arabia - STINGER Systems and Missile Rounds

The Government of Saudi Arabia has requested the purchase of a quantity of 400 STINGER systems and 800 STINGER missile rounds with support and training equipment, spare parts, and technical support at an estimated cost of \$141 million.

This sale is consistent with the U.S. policy of assisting other nations to provide for their own security and self-defense by allowing the transfer of reasonable amounts of defense articles and services. Saudi Arabia's strategic location on the Arabian Peninsula and its role as a major oil producer require a modern defense force capable of ensuring the nation's security. The sale will demonstrate the continuing willingness of the United States to support the Saudi Arabian effort to improve the security of the country while acting as a force for moderation in the region.

The STINGER systems and missile rounds will be used in the ongoing modernization program of the Saudi Arabian Land Forces (SALF) by enhancing its low level air defense capability. The SALF will have no difficulty in absorbing these items.

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

(U) The prime contractor will be General Dynamics, Pomona Division of Pomona, California.

Implementation of this sale will most probably require the assignment of additional U.S. Government personnel and contractor representatives to Saudi Arabia; however, the number of individuals and the duration of stay have not been determined at this time.

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

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