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## NATO Support and Procurement Agency (NSPA) – Stinger Missiles

WASHINGTON, December 22, 2023 - The State Department has made a determination approving a possible Foreign Military Sale to the NATO Support and Procurement Agency of Stinger missiles and related equipment for an estimated cost of \$780 million. The Defense Security Cooperation Agency delivered the required certification notifying Congress of this possible sale today.

The NATO Support and Procurement Agency (NSPA), as Lead Nation on behalf of Germany, Italy, and the Netherlands, has requested to buy nine hundred forty (940) FIM-92K Stinger Block I Missiles. Also included are Battery Coolant Units (BCU); metal containers; U.S. Government and contractor production, technical, and engineering assistance; and other related elements of logistics and program support. The estimated total cost is \$780 million.

This proposed sale will support the foreign policy and national security objectives of the United States by improving the security of Germany, Italy, and the Netherlands, three NATO Allies.

The proposed sale will improve the air defense capabilities of these three NATO Allies. They will use the system to defend their territorial integrity and to promote regional stability. The proposed sale supports NATO's goal of improving national and territorial defense as well as improving interoperability with U.S. and NATO forces. Germany, Italy, and the Netherlands will have no difficulty absorbing this equipment into their armed forces.

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

The prime contractors will be Raytheon, Tucson, AZ, and Lockheed Martin, Syracuse, NY. There are no known offset agreements proposed in connection with this potential sale.

Implementation of this proposed sale will not require the assignment of any U.S. Government personnel or contractor representatives to NATO.

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

The description and dollar value are for the highest estimated quantity and dollar value based on initial requirements. Actual dollar value will be lower depending on final requirements, budget authority, and signed sales agreement(s), if and when 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.