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Canada – AIM-9X Sidewinder Block II+ and Block II Tactical Missiles

WASHINGTON, August 16, 2024 - The State Department has made a determination approving a possible Foreign Military Sale to the Government of Canada of AIM-9X Sidewinder Block II+ and Block II Tactical Missiles and related elements of logistics and program support for an estimated cost of \$264.6 million. The Defense Security Cooperation Agency delivered the required certification notifying Congress of this possible sale on August 15, 2024.

The Government of Canada has requested to buy forty-eight (48) AIM-9X Sidewinder Block II+ Tactical Missiles; one hundred twenty (120) AIM-9X Sidewinder Block II Tactical Missiles; forty-eight (48) AIM-9X Sidewinder Block II Captive Air Training Missiles; forty-eight (48) AIM-9X Sidewinder Block II Special Air Training Missiles; four (4) AIM-9X Sidewinder Block II+ Tactical Guidance Units; twelve (12) AIM-9X Sidewinder Block II Tactical Guidance Units; and eight (8) AIM-9X Sidewinder Block II Guidance Units. The following non-MDE items will also be included: Active Optical Target Detectors; KGV-135A COMSEC chips; missile containers; training aids, spares; support equipment; training, missile software; and U.S. Government and contractor technical, engineering, logistical, and program support; and other related elements of logistics and program support. The estimated total cost is \$264.6 million.

This proposed sale will support the foreign policy and national security objectives of the United States by helping to improve the military capability of a NATO Ally that is an important force for ensuring political stability and economic progress and is a contributor to military, peacekeeping, and humanitarian operations around the world.

The proposed sale will improve Canada's credible defense capability to deter aggression in the region, ensure interoperability with U.S. forces, and strengthen its homeland defense. Canada 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 RTX Corporation, located in Tucson, AZ. The purchaser typically requests offsets. Any offset agreement(s) will be defined in negotiations between the purchaser and the contractor.

Implementation of the proposed sale will require travel of four (4) U.S. Government and four (4) contractor representatives to Canada on a temporary basis in conjunction with program technical oversight and support requirements.

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.