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The Netherlands – GBU-39 Small Diameter Bombs

WASHINGTON, July 27, 2010 – The Defense Security Cooperation Agency notified Congress July 26 of a possible Foreign Military Sale to The Netherlands of 603 GBU-39/B Small Diameter Bombs 1 (SDB1) and associated equipment, parts, training and logistical support for an estimated cost of \$44 million.

The Government of the Netherlands has requested a possible sale of 603 GBU-39/B Small Diameter Bombs 1 (SDB1), containers, flight test integration, spare and repair parts, support equipment, personnel training and equipment, publications and technical data, U.S. Government and contractor engineering and logistics personnel services, and other related elements of logistics support. The estimated cost is \$44 million.

This proposed sale contributes to the foreign policy and national security objectives of the U.S. by improving the military capabilities of The Netherlands and enhancing standardization and interoperability with U.S. forces. The sale of this equipment and support will improve The Netherlands' ability to destroy protected, high-value targets such as command and control nodes and weapons storage facilities. This will be the first sale of this weapon to The Netherlands.

This sale will not alter the basic military balance in the region.

The principal contractor will be The Boeing Corporation in St. Louis, Missouri. There are no known offset agreements proposed in connection with this potential sale.

This program will involve multiple trips to The Netherlands by U.S. Government and contractor representatives for one to two week intervals for approximately three years.

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.