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## **ISRAEL – Joint Direct Attack Munitions**

On 18 July 2002, the Defense Security Cooperation Agency notified Congress of a possible Foreign Military Sale to Israel of Joint Direct Attack Munitions (JDAM) tail kits as well as associated equipment and services. The total value, if all options are exercised, could be as high as \$27 million.

The Government of Israel has requested a possible sale of 1,000 Joint Direct Attack Munitions (JDAM) tail kits, 50 MK-84 inert bombs, testing, spare and repair parts, support equipment, contractor engineering and technical support, and other related elements of program support. The estimated cost is \$27 million.

This proposed sale will contribute to the foreign policy and national security of the United States by helping to improve the security of a friendly country that has been and continues to be an important force for political stability and economic progress in the Middle East.

The proposed sale will contribute significantly to U.S. strategic and tactical objectives. Israel will maintain its qualitative edge with a balance of new weapons procurement and upgrades supporting its existing systems. Israel, which already has tail kits in its inventory, will have no difficulty absorbing these additional kits.

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

The prime contractor will be Boeing Company of St. Louis Missouri. There are no offset agreements proposed in connection with this potential sale.

Implementation of this proposed sale will not require the assignment of any additional U.S. Government and contractor representatives to Israel.

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; it does not mean that the sale has been concluded.