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### **Kuwait – Sale of Technical and Logistical Support for F/A-18 Aircraft**

On 5 September, the Defense Security Cooperation Agency notified Congress of a possible Foreign Military Sale to Kuwait of technical and logistical support for Kuwait's fleet of F/A-18 Aircraft.

The Government of Kuwait has requested a proposed continuation sale of contractor maintenance and technical services in support of the F/A-18 aircraft to include Contractor Engineering Technical Services (CETS), Contractor Maintenance Support (CMS), technical ground support equipment, spare and repair parts, publications and technical data and other related elements of logistics support. The estimated cost is \$166 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 which has been and continues to be an important force for political stability and economic progress in the Middle East.

The Government of Kuwait needs the contractor technical, maintenance, and logistical services to maintain the operational capabilities of the aircraft, previously procured from the United States. These contractor services will provide for a continuation of the required logistics support through CY 2008.

The contractor maintenance and training technical services will not alter the basic military balance in the region.

The principal contractors participating in this proposed sale are the DYNCORP of Fort Worth, Texas; The Boeing Company of St. Louis, Missouri; and Kay and Associates, Incorporated of Arlington Heights, Illinois. There are no offset agreements proposed in connection with this potential sale.

Implementation of this proposed sale will require the assignment of 50 contractor representatives in Kuwait to maintain continuity in the program support through CY 2008.

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