

(iv) *Significance*: This notification is being provided as the included replacement and additional items represent in an increase in capability over what was originally notified. The proposed sale increases Bahrain's F-16 fleet's reconnaissance capability and contributes to greater interoperability with the United States. Bahrain is upgrading its F-16 program as a deterrent to regional threats and to strengthen its homeland defense.

(v) *Justification*: This proposed sale will support the foreign policy and national security of the United States by helping to improve the security of a Major Non-NATO Ally in developing and maintaining a strong and ready self-defense capability. This proposed sale will enhance U.S. national security objectives in the region.

(vi) *Sensitivity of Technology*: The M-code capable Embedded Global Positioning System (GPS) Inertial Navigation System (INS) (EGI), with an embedded GPS Precise Positioning Service (PPS) Receiver Application Module-Standard Electronic Module (GRAM-S/M), is a self-contained navigation system that provides acceleration, velocity, position, attitude, platform azimuth, magnetic and true heading, altitude, body angular rates, time tags, and coordinated universal

time (UTC) synchronized time. The embedded GRAM-S/M enables access to both the encrypted P(Y) and M-Code signals, providing protection against active spoofing attacks, enhanced military exclusivity, integrity, and anti-jam.

The MS-110 is a tactical reconnaissance pod with long-range, day/night, multi-spectral sensor technology. The multi-spectral sensor lets the end user see color and better distinguish subtle features than a DB-110 pod's dual band imagery. The pod can transmit imagery via a datalink to ground-stations for near real time analysis and exploitation. The MS-110 Retrofit Kit converts a DB-110 pod into an MS-110 pod.

The Sensitivity of Technology Statement contained in the original notification applies to additional items reported here.

The highest level of classification of defense articles, components, and services included in this potential sale is SECRET.

(vii) *Date Report Delivered to Congress*: September 6, 2023

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### Office of the Secretary

[Transmittal No. 23-40]

### Arms Sales Notification

**AGENCY**: Defense Security Cooperation Agency, Department of Defense (DoD).

**ACTION**: Arms sales notice.

**SUMMARY**: The DoD is publishing the unclassified text of an arms sales notification.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**:

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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**: This 36(b)(1) arms sales notification is published to fulfill the requirements of section 155 of Public Law 104-164 dated July 21, 1996. The following is a copy of a letter to the Speaker of the House of Representatives with attached Transmittal 23-40, Policy Justification, and Sensitivity of Technology.

Dated: November 1, 2024.

**Stephanie J. Bost,**

*Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.*

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**DEFENSE SECURITY COOPERATION AGENCY**  
 2800 Defense Pentagon  
 Washington, DC 20301-2800

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The Honorable Kevin McCarthy  
 Speaker of the House  
 U.S. House of Representatives  
 H-209, The Capitol  
 Washington, DC 20515

Dear Mr. Speaker:

Pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act, as amended, we are forwarding herewith Transmittal No. 23-40, concerning the Army's proposed Letter(s) of Offer and Acceptance to the Government of Oman for defense articles and services estimated to cost \$70 million. We will issue a news release to notify the public of this proposed sale upon delivery of this letter to your office.

Sincerely,

James A. Hursch  
 Director

**Enclosures:**

1. Transmittal
2. Policy Justification
3. Sensitivity of Technology
4. Regional Balance (Classified document provided under separate cover)

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Transmittal No. 23-40

Notice of Proposed Issuance of Letter of Offer Pursuant to Section 36(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act, as amended

(i) *Prospective Purchaser:* Government of Oman

(ii) *Total Estimated Value:*

Major Defense Equipment *	\$60 million
Other .....	\$10 million

Total .....	\$70 million
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Funding Source: National Funds

(iii) *Description and Quantity or Quantities of Articles or Services under Consideration for Purchase:*

*Major Defense Equipment (MDE):*

Three hundred one (301) Tube-Launched, Optically-Tracked, Wireless-Guided (TOW) 2B, Radio Frequency (RF) Missiles (BGM-71F-7-RF) (includes 7 "Fly-to-Buy" Missiles)

*Non-MDE:*

Also included are U.S. Government and contractor technical, program, logistics, and engineering support

services, and other related elements of logistics and program support.

(iv) *Military Department:* Army (MU-B-UKV)

(v) *Prior Related Cases, if any:* None

(vi) *Sales Commission, Fee, etc., Paid, Offered, or Agreed to be Paid:* None known at this time

(vii) *Sensitivity of Technology Contained in the Defense Article or Defense Services Proposed to be Sold:* See Attached Annex

(viii) *Date Report Delivered to Congress:* October 3, 2023

\* As defined in Section 47(6) of the Arms Export Control Act.

**POLICY JUSTIFICATION**

*Oman—TOW 2B Radio Frequency Missiles (BGM-71F-7-RF) and Support*

The Government of Oman has requested to buy three hundred one (301) Tube-Launched, Optically-Tracked, Wireless-Guided (TOW) 2B, Radio Frequency (RF) Missiles (BGM-71F-7-RF) (includes 7 “Fly-to-Buy” Missiles). Also included are U.S. Government and contractor technical, program, logistics, and engineering support services, and other related elements of logistics and program support. The estimated total cost is \$70 million.

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

The proposed sale will improve the Royal Army of Oman’s capability to meet current and future threats by enhancing the strength of its homeland defense. Oman will have no difficulty absorbing this equipment and services 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 Raytheon Missiles & Defense, Tucson, Arizona. 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 additional U.S. Government or U.S. contractor representatives to Oman.

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

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Notice of Proposed Issuance of Letter of Offer Pursuant to Section 36(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act

Annex

Item No. vii

(vii) *Sensitivity of Technology:*

1. The Tube-Launched, Optically-Tracked, Wireless-Guided (TOW) 2B Radio Frequency (RF) Missile (BGM-71F-7-RF) is a top attack missile designed to defeat armored vehicles, reinforced urban structures, field fortifications and other such targets. TOW missiles are fired from a variety of TOW launchers used by the U.S. Army, USMC, and non-U.S. forces. The TOW 2B RF missile can be launched from the same launcher as the wire-guided TOW 2B missile without modification to the launcher. The TOW 2B missile (both wire and RF-guided) contains two tracker beacons (Xenon and thermal) for the launcher to track and guide the missile in flight. Guidance commands from the launcher are provided to the missile by the RF link contained within the missile case.

2. The highest level of classification of defense articles, components, and services included in this potential sale is SECRET.

3. If a technologically advanced adversary were to obtain knowledge of the specific hardware and software elements, the information could be used to develop countermeasures that might reduce weapon system effectiveness or be used in the development of a system with similar or advanced capabilities.

4. A determination has been made that the Government of Oman can provide substantially the same degree of protection for the sensitive technology being released as the U.S. Government. This sale is necessary in furtherance of the U.S. foreign policy and national security objectives outlined in the Policy Justification.

5. All defense articles and services listed in this transmittal have been authorized for release and export to the Government of Oman.

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**DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**

**Office of the Secretary**

**TRICARE; Calendar Year (CY) 2025; TRICARE Prime and TRICARE Select Out-of-Pocket Expenses**

**AGENCY:** Office of the Secretary, Department of Defense.

**ACTION:** Notice of calendar year (CY) 2025 TRICARE Prime and TRICARE Select out-of-pocket expenses.

**SUMMARY:** This notice provides the Calendar Year (CY) 2025 TRICARE Prime and TRICARE Select out-of-pocket expenses.

**DATES:** The CY 2025 rates contained in this notice are effective January 1, 2025.

**ADDRESSES:** Defense Health Agency (DHA), TRICARE Health Plan, 7700 Arlington Boulevard, Suite 5101, Falls Church, Virginia 22042-5101.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Debra Fisher, 703-275-6224, [dha.ncr.healthcare-ops.mbx.thp-policy-and-programs-branch@health.mil](mailto:dha.ncr.healthcare-ops.mbx.thp-policy-and-programs-branch@health.mil).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The National Defense Authorization Acts for Fiscal Years 2012 and 2017, and subsequent implementing regulations (e.g., § 199.17 of title 32 of the Code of Federal Regulations), established rates for TRICARE beneficiary out-of-pocket expenses and how they may be increased by the annual cost of living adjustment (COLA) percentage used to increase military retired pay or via budget neutrality rules. The CY 2025 retiree COLA increase is 2.5%.

The DHA has updated the CY 2025 out-of-pocket expenses as shown below:

**CALENDAR YEAR 2025 TRICARE PRIME AND TRICARE SELECT OUT-OF-POCKET EXPENSES—ACTIVE DUTY FAMILY MEMBERS (ADFM) CATEGORY**

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Out of pocket expense	Select Group A CY25	Select Group B CY25	Prime * Group A CY25	Prime * Group B CY25
Annual enrollment fee:				
<i>Individual</i> .....	\$0 .....	\$0 .....	\$0	\$0
<i>Family</i> .....	\$0 .....	\$0 .....	0	0
Annual deductible:				
<i>E1-E4, individual</i> .....	\$50 .....	\$64 .....	0	0
<i>E1-E4, family</i> .....	\$100 .....	\$128 .....	0	0
<i>E5 &amp; above, individual</i> .....	\$150 .....	\$193 .....	0	0
<i>E5 &amp; above, family</i> .....	\$300 .....	\$386 .....	0	0
Annual catastrophic cap .....	\$1,000 .....	\$1,288 .....	1,000	1,288