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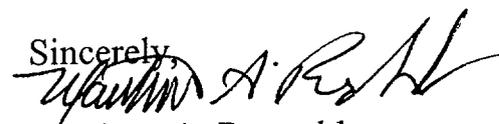
Dear Mr. Speaker:

Pursuant to Section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act, I am transmitting herewith, certification of a proposed license for the export of defense articles that are firearms controlled under Category I of the United States Munitions List sold commercially under a contract in the amount of \$1,000,000 or more.

The transaction contained in the attached certification involves the export of Browning bolt-action, lever-action, semi-automatic rifles and pistols (calibers: .22, .25-06, .270, .30-06, 30-30, .300, .308, .338, .357, .358, .44, .45, 7mm and .223) for the distribution by Browning International, in Belgium for the following sales territories: Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Luxembourg, Netherlands, Norway, Portugal, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland and the United Kingdom.

The United States Government is prepared to license the export of these items having taken into account political, military, economic, human rights and arms control considerations.

More detailed information is contained in the formal certification which, though unclassified, contains business information submitted to the Department of State by the applicant, publication of which could cause competitive harm to the United States firm concerned.

Sincerely,  
  
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Enclosure:

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The Honorable

J. Dennis Hastert,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.