



United States Department of State

Washington, D.C. 20520

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Dear Mr. Chairman:

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 and defense services in the amount of \$50,000,000 or more.

The transaction contained in the attached certification involves the export of a commercial communications satellite to Russia and Kazakhstan for launch. This notification is for the export of the satellite and associated launch support equipment only. Transfer of ownership to a Canadian company will be made once the satellite is in orbit.

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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Legislative Affairs

Enclosure:

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The Honorable
Joseph R. Biden, Jr., Chairman,
Committee on Foreign Relations,
United States Senate.