United States Department of State

Washington, D.C. 20520

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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 or defense services sold commercially under a contract in the amount of $50,000,000 or more.

The transaction contained in the attached certification involves the proposed permanent export of two (2) Landing Craft Air Cushion (LCAC) vessels, plus spares, warranty items and technical data for use by the Maritime Self Defense Force of the Japan Defense Agency.

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,

Paul V. Kelly

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The Honorable
J. Dennis Hastert,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.