



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

The transactions contained in the attached certification concern future commercial activities with Russia, Ukraine and Norway related to the launch of commercial satellites from the Pacific Ocean utilizing a modified oil platform beyond the period specified in DTC 002-03 dated January 24, 2003; DTC 148-02 dated July 26, 2002; DTC 123-02 dated May 22, 2002; DTC 023-02 dated May 1, 2002; DTC 048-01 dated April 30, 2001; DTC 026-00 dated May 19, 2000; DTC 124-99 dated November 10, 1999; DTC 006-99 dated April 16, 1999; and DTC 016-97 dated July 25, 1997.

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:

Transmittal No. DTC 023-03

The Honorable
Richard G. Lugar, Chairman,
Committee on Foreign Relations,
United States Senate.