United States Department of State

Washington, D.C. 20520

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Dear Madam Speaker:

Pursuant to Section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act, I am transmitting, herewith, certification of a proposed technical assistance agreement for the export of technical data, defense services, and defense articles in the amount of $100,000,000 or more.

The transaction contained in the attached certification involves the export of defense articles and defense services for the manufacture and support of SINCGARS Radio Systems for end-use by the Italian Ministry of Defense.

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,

Michael C. Polt
Acting Assistant Secretary
Legislative Affairs

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The Honorable
Nancy Pelosi,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.