



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 amendment to a technical assistance agreement for the export of defense articles, including technical data, and defense services in the amount of \$50,000,000 or more.

The transaction contained in the attached certification involves the transfer of defense articles, to include technical data, and defense services to Bermuda, Canada, France, Germany, Hong Kong, Indonesia, Mexico, Philippines, Singapore, Sweden, and the United Kingdom for design, development, manufacture, test (including in-orbit testing), long-term support, and on-ground delivery of commercial communication satellites to Asia Broadcast Satellite Holdings Ltd. (Bermuda) as part of the Asia Broadcast Satellite Holding Ltd./Satellites Mexicanos, SA. de C.V. (ABS/SATMEX) joint program.

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,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "D. S. Adams", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

David S. Adams  
Assistant Secretary  
Legislative Affairs

Enclosure:

Transmittal No. DDTC 12-102

The Honorable

John A. Boehner,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.