



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 technical assistance agreement for the export of defense articles, to include 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, Hong Kong, Indonesia, Mexico, the Philippines, Singapore, and Sweden to support the Falcon launches of the SATMEX and ABS commercial communications satellites from Cape Canaveral in Florida.

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", written in a cursive style.

David S. Adams  
Assistant Secretary  
Legislative Affairs

Enclosure:

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The Honorable  
John F. Kerry, Chairman,  
Committee on Foreign Relations,  
United States Senate.