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NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL WASHINGTON, D.C. 20506

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October 23, 1975

MEMORANDUM FOR

John A. Wickham, Jr.
Major General, U.S. Army
Military Assistant to the Secretary
Department of Defense

SUBJECT:

Delay of Military Equipment Transfer Announcement to the ROC

The Deputy Assistant to the President for National Security Affairs requests that the Department of Defense delay notification to the Republic of China of the transfer to the ROC of the below-listed major items of U.S. military equipment until at least a week after President Ford returns from the People's Republic of China in early December. The Assistant to the President for National Security Affairs approved the transfer itself October 17.

- -- Three excess T-28C trainer aircraft (memorandum from the Deputy Secretary of Defense, dated March 7, 1975 (Tab A)).
- -- Four excess S-2E anti-submarine warfare (ASW) aircraft (memorandum from the Deputy Secretary of Defense, dated April 1, 1975 (Tab B)).
- -- Two ocean-going minesweepers (MSOs) (memorandum from the Deputy Secretary of Defense, dated February 21, 1975 (Tab C)).
- -- One thousand AIM-9J (sidewinder missile conversion kits) (memorandum from George S. Springsteen, Executive Secretary, Department of State, dated November 7, 1974 (Tab D)).

Jeanne W. Davis Staff Secretary

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NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

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ACTION October 22, 1975

MEMORANDUM FOR:

JEANNE W. DAVIS

FROM:

THOMAS J. BARNES

SUBJECT:

Request to Defense to Delay a Military Equipment Transfer Announcement to

the ROC

State recommends, and Clint Granger and I concur, that we hold off on notifying the Republic of China of the approved transfer of major items of U.S. military equipment until a week after the President leaves Peking. The ROC could make some ill-timed and mischievous press releases beforehand. Defense has no objection to the delay but would like confirmation in writing since the October 17 decision (Tab B) made no mention of delaying the notification.

RECOMMENDATION:

That you approve the memorandum to General Wickham at Tab A.

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MEMORANDUM FOR

John A. Wickham, Jr.
Major General, U.S. Army
Military Assistant to the Secretary
Department of Defense

SUBJECT:

Decisions Regarding Supply of Military Equipment to Taiwan and Deactivation of the 327th Air Division

The Assistant to the President for National Security Affairs has approved the following request for transfer of major items of U.S. military equipment to the Republic of China:

- -- Three excess T-28C trainer aircraft (memorandum from the Deputy Secretary of Defense, dated March 7, 1975 (Tab A)).
- -- Four excess S-2E anti-submarine warfare (ASW) aircraft (memorandum from the Deputy Secretary of Defense, dated April 1, 1975 (Tab B)).
- -- Two ocean-going minesweepers (MSOs) (memorandum from the Deputy Secretary of Defense, dated February 21, 1975 (Tab C)).
- -- One thousand AIM-9J (sidewinder missile conversion kits (memorandum from George S. Springsteen, Executive Secretary, Department of State, dated November 7, 1974 (Tab D)).

The Assistant to the President for National Security Affairs also has approved deactivation of the 327th Air Division and related support activities in Taipei Air Station with a small contingent of USAF air

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control personnel to be retained at the ROC air operations center. The ROC should be informed of this move in a low-key approach through military channels.

Jeanne W. Davis Staff Secretary

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7 MAR 1975

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT FOR NATIONAL SECURITY AFFAIRS

SUBJECT: Transfer of Major Items of U.S. Military Equipment to the Republic of China

- (U) Reference is made to your memorandum of 21 October 1971, same subject.
- (C) Approval is requested for the (FMS) sale of three (3) excess T-28C trainer aircraft to the Republic of China. These aircraft will supplement 26 T-28's presently being used by the Chinese Air Force for undergraduate pilot training.

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(U) The Department of State concurs.

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1 APR 1975

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT FOR NATIONAL SECURITY AFFAIRS

SUBJECT: Transfer of Major Items of U.S. Military Equipment to the Republic of China

- (U) Reference is made to your memorandum of 21 October 1971, same subject.
- (C) Approval is requested for the (FMS) sale of four (4) excess S2E anti-submarine warfare (ASW) aircraft to the Republic of China. These aircraft would be additive to the twelve (12) S2E's recently purchased by China as replacements for S2A aircraft previously obtained through FMS.
- (C) Sale of four (4) additional S2E's would slightly increase the existing Chinese ASW aircraft force level.
- (C) The proposed sale would not significantly increase the Republic of China's military capabilities.

(U) The Department of State concurs.

Deputy

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21 FEB 1975

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT FOR NATIONAL SECURITY AFFAIRS

SUBJECT: Transfer of Major Items of U.S. Military Equipment to the Republic of China (C)

- (U) Reference is made to your memorandum dated 21 October 1971, same subject.
- (C) Your approval is requested for the sale of two (2) ocean-going minesweepers (MSO's) to the Republic of China under FMS.
- The ROC Navy has fourteen (14) minesweepers in its current inventory. If the proposed sale is approved, the ROC Navy will decommission and scrap three of these older ships.

(U) The Department of State concurs.

Deputy

Director, Sales Negotiations, DSAA

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE



Washington, D.C. 20520

November 7, 1974

MEMORANDUM FOR LIEUTENANT GENERAL BRENT SCOWCROFT
THE WHITE HOUSE

Subject: Transfer of Major Items of US

Military Equipment to the

Republic of China

Our Office of Munitions Control has for its consideration the attached application for approval of a technical assistance agreement which would permit the Philco-Ford Corporation to modify one thousand AIM-9B missiles to the AIM-9J configuration. The Department of Defense has determined that this upgrading would significantly increase the ROC missile capability, and thus, in accordance with NSC Memorandum dated October 21, 1971, the agreement requires White House approval.

The Departments of Defense and State agree that there would be no objection to the Philoo-Ford proposal and recommend approval. Their comments are attached.

Gebrue S. Springsteen

Attachments:

1. Philco-Ford Application

2. Department of Defense comments

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INFORMATION

November 3, 1975

MEMORANDUM FOR:

GENERAL SCOWCROFT

FROM:

CLINTON E. GRANGER

SUBJECT:

Military Equipment in Taiwan

In the Staff Meeting last Friday, a question was raised concerning U.S. military equipment from Thailand being sent to Taiwan. We have learned that this equipment is primarily pierced steel planking (PSP) that is being included in our WRM stock in Taiwan.

This equipment is quite bulky and readily visible and it is conceivable that someone might get the idea that we are building something up in Taiwan. However, it all appears innocent enough and particularly sensible because if we left it in Thailand we would be sure to have it disappear in a very short period of time.





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December 5, 1975

MEMORANDUM FOR:

BRENT SCOWCROFT

FROM:

CLINTON E. GRANGER

SUBJECT:

Notification to Congress of FMS Case Over

\$25 million; Republic of China

The Department of Defense is prepared to notify Congress under Section 36(b) of the FAA of the intent to transmit to the Republic of China a Letter of Offer for spare parts for U.S.-origin aircraft in calendar year 1976. Value of this case is \$40.2 million.

Perceiving no objection, I have notified the Department of State of our concurrence in the proposed action.

OK

Les Janka and Tom Barnes concur.



OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE

Memo For_ COL C. Granger, NSC (Info - Mr. Mantel/OMB)

(Transmittal No. 76-23)

Attached is a proposed Foreign Military Sales Case over \$25 Million. We plan to inform Congress after receiving concurrence.

Please report your concurrence or comments to Mr. Dan James at the Department of State (Telephone 632-3950).

LTC T. Martin DSAA/TC X697-9304

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OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE

Memo For Dan James, Dept of State PM/SAS

(Transmittal No. 76-23)

Info: Mr. W. Lewis

We plan to report information derived from the attached FMS Letter of Offer to Congress as Unclassified. However, there may be foreign policy implications in the release of this Information in an unclassified form. The Letter of Offer is in process of negotiations between the USG and the purchasing nation involved, and consequently is subject to intra-governmental consideration by the purchasing nation. Should you determine this Letter of Offer should be classified, please advise us which item(s) of the transmittal (i.e., a, b, c, or d) are classified. Such will be bracketed on our report to Congress.

LTC T. Martin DSAA/TC X697-9304

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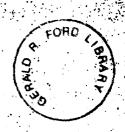
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Honorable Carl Albert Speaker of the House of Representatives Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Mr. Speaker:

Pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(b) of the Foreign Military Sales Act, as amended, we are forwarding herewith Transmittal No. 76-23, concerning the Department of the Air Force's proposed Letter of Offer to Republic of China for cooperative logistics case for requisitioning spare parts for aircraft of U.S. origin estimated to cost \$40.2 million. Shortly after this letter is delivered to your office, we plan to notify the news media.

Sincerely,





- a. Prospective Purchaser: Republic of China
- b. Total Estimated Value: \$40.2 million
- c. Description of Articles or Services Offered: Cooperative logistics case for requisitioning spare parts for aircraft of U.S. origin for period 1 January 1976 through 31 December 1976. Air 2
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THE WHITE HOUSE

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December 31, 1975

MEMORANDUM FOR

THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE

SUBJECT:

Transfer of Major Items of U.S. Military

Equipment to the Republic of China

We have received your memorandum of December 18, 1975, requesting approval for the FMS sale of a second improved Hawk Battalion for the defense of southern Taiwan.

The proposed sale is approved, subject to your notifying the Republic of China that a lack of United States training capability in the near future will delay training on the improved Hawk system.

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MEMORANDUM

NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

December 26, 1975

MEMORANDUM FOR:

TOM BARNES

FROM:

CLINT GRANGER 🌽

SUBJECT:

Improved HAWK for Taiwan

The Secretariat returned your action, #8374, "FMS Sale of a Second Improved HAWK Battalion for Defense of Southern Taiwan" for coordination, prior to forwarding it to Brent.

I brought it back to your office, but you had departed; hence, in spite of the time pressure, I am returning it by memo.

I have no problem with the substance; and can appreciate the desire to settle the problem before the production lines are closed. However, implied in any sale of equipment is the agreement to provide the training required. In this case, the capability to train the ROC on I-HAWK will be delayed for some time because of lack of available facilities in the United States. I regret that the holiday season has made it impossible to give you a precise date, but those who could provide it are not available today in the Pentagon. However, to avoid any misunderstanding with the ROC later, any agreement to provide the I-HAWK should be accompanied with a warning that there will be a delay on the training. I would suggest a modification to your implementing letter as follows:

"The proposed sale is approved, subject to notification to the Republic of China that training on the Improved HAWK system will be delayed because of lack of United States training capability in the immediate future."



NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

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December 24, 1975

MEMORANDUM FOR BRENT SCOWCROFT

FROM:

THOMAS J. BARNES CLINTON E. GRANGER

SUBJECT:

FMS Sale of a Second Improved Hawk Battalion for

Defense of Southern Taiwan

Secretary Rumsfeld wrote you a memorandum (Tab B) dated December 18, 1975 requesting approval for the FMS sale of a second improved Hawk Battalion for the defense of southern Taiwan. The close out of FY 76 U.S. Army procurement of improved Hawk Batteries for the U.S. Army and other nations is December 31. Early submission of ROC purchase orders will reportedly save the ROC between \$10-\$25 million.

The Department of State concurs in the proposed sale.

RECOMMENDATION:

That you sign as soon as possible the memorandum at Tab A to Secretary Rumsfeld approving the request.



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THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE WASHINGTON, D. C. 20301

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT FOR NATIONAL SECURITY AFFAIRS

SUBJECT: Transfer of Major Items of U.S. Military Equipment to the Republic of China (U)

- (U) Reference is made to White House memorandum of 21 October 1971, same subject.
- (C) Approval is requested for the FMS sale of a second Improved Hawk Battalion for the defense of southern Taiwan.
- (U) The Department of State concurs.

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