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## <u>Finland – Army Tactical Missile Systems M-39 Block 1A</u>

WASHINGTON, June 4, 2012 – The Defense Security Cooperation Agency notified Congress June 1 of a possible Foreign Military Sale to the Government of Finland for 70 M-39 Block 1A Army Tactical Missile System (ATACMS) T2K Unitary Missiles and associated parts, equipment, logistical support and training for an estimated cost of \$132 million.

The Government of Finland has requested a possible sale of 70 M-39 Block 1A Army Tactical Missile System (ATACMS) T2K Unitary Missiles, Missile Common Test Device software, ATACMS Quality Assurance Team support, spare and repair parts, tools and test equipment, support equipment, personnel training and training equipment, publications and technical data, U.S. government and contractor engineering and logistics support services, and other related elements of logistics support. The estimated cost is \$132 million.

This proposed sale will contribute to the foreign policy and national security of the United States by helping to improve the security of a friendly country which has been, and continues to be, an important force for political stability and economic progress in Europe.

Finland intends to use these defense articles and services to expand its existing army architecture and improve its self-defense capabilities. This will contribute to the Finnish Defense Forces' goal of modernizing its capability while further enhancing interoperability between Finland, the United States, and other allies.

The proposed sale of this equipment and support will not alter the basic military balance in the region.

The prime contractor will be Lockheed Martin Missiles and Fire Control in Dallas, Texas. There are no known offset agreements proposed in connection with this potential sale.

Implementation of this proposed sale will require up to two U.S. Government or contractor representatives to travel to Finland for up to one week for equipment de-processing/fielding, system checkout, and training.

There will be no adverse impact on U.S. defense readiness as a result of this proposed sale.

This notice of a potential sale is required by law and does not mean the sale has been concluded.