

WEEEEKLY HOLDS UPDATE

Week 06 - 13 July 2001

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HIGHLIGHTS

- **The overall holds remain unchanged due to several high-value releases**
- **New telecommunications applications released (US\$49.5M)**
- **Two applications for flour mills (US\$50.1M) released from hold**
- **Quite a few new holds in housing, wat-san sectors**

1. The holds stand at **US\$3,411.0M** or just US\$1.0M more compared to US\$3.440M last week.

2. The total number of applications on hold is **1,404 (to include 956 humanitarian and 448 oil spare parts applications)** or 31 more than last week. The relative value of holds was similar to the values last week -- **15.3 percent** of the total value circulated to the Committee or **12.2percent** of the value circulated to the Committee AND approved by OIP based on pre-approved lists (15.4 and 12.4 per cent respectively last week).

3. The value of oil spare parts applications on hold was marginally higher in comparison to last week's, with the total value of **US\$438.0M** on hold this week and US\$431.0M last week.

4. **GENERAL TRENDS:** The value of released applications almost equaled the value of those placed on hold during the last week. This would indicate that the holding missions have re-started releases as well following a very slow week. However, one should notice that only 25 applications were released while 58 were placed on hold and it was only the high value of some of the released applications that resulted in almost identical values released and placed on hold.

5. **ADDITIONAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS APPLICATIONS RELEASED:** As previously reported, the UK, too, lifted its hold on several telecommunication equipment applications (total US\$49.5M), recently released by the US. The new batch of now-approved applications includes:

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| 50723 (T) | \$28.2M | Small mobile GSM network (PRIORITY) |
| 601308(T) | \$ 6.6M | Baghdad-Mosul Digital Microwave Link (PRIORITY) |
| 601309(T) | \$ 8.1M | Digital Microwave Equipment |
| 701331(T) | \$ 2.6M | Radio (DXM, DXR) Equipment |
| 701378(T) | \$ 3.48M | Digital Microwave Link |
| 702099(T) | \$ 0.55M | VHF/UHF Small Capacity Radio Link |

Please note that the first two comms. are priority applications as per the ITU presentation to the 661 Committee on 4 May 2001.

6. **TWO APPLICATIONS FOR FLOUR MILLS RELEASED:** Following circulation of amendments deleting some 1051 items for the applications, the following two comms for complete flour mills were released from hold:

601920(Q) \$15.7M
702183(Q) \$34.4M

7. **TOTAL OF 15 HOUSING SECTOR APPLICATIONS PLACED ON HOLD:** This batch is the largest in any sector (16 out of total 58 placed on hold last week. The list includes the following:

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| 801664(H) | \$6.99 | Oxygen Product. Plant | 1051, specs |
| 900981(H) | \$3.81M | Bottle Production | Specs on pumps, nozzles, |
| (*)3 comms | \$2.25M | Copper Wire | End-use/user |
| 901019(H) | \$2.04M | Drilling Rigs | tech specs |
| 900908(H) | \$1.80M | Wheel Loader | Specs for valves, pumps |
| 901003(H) | \$1.02M | Concrete Plant | Specs on pumps, nozzles load cells |
| 900910(H) | \$0.70M | Vehicles | Dual Military Use |
| 900921(H) | \$0.69M | Al parts, glass | WMD dual use |
| 900916(H) | \$0.35M | Conveyer belt | Material Composition |
| 802626(H) | \$0.29M | Conveyer belt | Material Composition |
| 900922(H) | \$0.15M | Wires | Specific end-use/user |
| 900914(H) | \$0.08M | Water Softener | 1051 |
| 901011(H) | \$0.03M | Welding Eq. | End-use/user |

8. **Total of 25 applications worth US\$104.12M** were released last week. Practically all releases are included into the two categories in paragraphs 5 and 6 above (telecomms and mills). The only other releases were in the **oil spare parts** sector:

830407(O) \$ 1.86M Water Intake System

(*) 14 applications worth US\$2.35M All previously on hold (some for over 2 years) for "Purchase not directly related to the repair of Iraqi infrastructure for the purpose of increasing exports".

9. Total of **58 applications worth US\$105.29M** were placed on hold during the last week, including the following applications:

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| 802247(L) | \$29.8M | Al-Shemal P.S. control equipment | 1051, specs |
| 900488(T) | \$10.76M | Trucks | Specs on pumps, nozzles... Origin rather than "Arabic" only |
| 901068(W) | \$5.57M | Garbage Trucks | Specs on pumps, nozzles chemically resistant paint |
| 901067(W) | \$4.83M | Water Tanker | Specs on nozzles, end-use |
| 900677(Q) | \$4.4M | Trucks | Specs for special tools, kits |
| 802514(A) | \$2.34M | Tannery | Specs on PLC cards, generators... |
| 701091(A) | \$2.4M | Sprinkler Irrig. | 1051 (fiberglass tank) |
| 901047(W) | \$2.15M | Excavators | Specs on pumps, valves |
| 901069(W) | \$2.13M | Garbage Trucks | Specs on pumps, valves, end-use |