WEEEKLY HOLDS UPDATE

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HIGHLIGHTS:

- Releases twice as high as new holds resulted in decrease of the total level of holds by over \$90 million
- No new priority applications released from hold this week
- Several high-value applications for vehicles released from hold
- Overall level of applications pending feedback from holding missions decreases significantly
- 1. The level of holds stands at \$5,087 million this week, to include \$417.4 million in "inactive hold" category. The grand total has decreased by some \$94 million in comparison to the previous week's total of \$5,181 million.
- 2. As of last week, there were 236 applications worth some \$475 million in the category of inactive holds. This week the number is slightly higher and the value of applications in this category is lower and stand at 242 applications valued at \$417.4 million. At the same time, the number of applications for which a feedback from the holding mission is due in excess of 60 days has considerably decreased and now stands at 456 applications valued at \$1,186 million (491 worth \$1,585 million in the previous week).
- 3. The total number of 59% account applications on hold ("active") is **1,859** (to include 1,272 humanitarian and 587 oil spare parts applications) or 14 applications more than 1,845 last week. The relative value of holds is lower in comparison to the last week's with 17.6 per cent of the total value circulated to the Committee and 13.3 per cent of the value circulated to the Committee AND approved by OIP based on pre-approved lists was (17.9 and 13.5 respectively during the previous week).
- **4. GENERAL TRENDS:** Release of some applications pending feedback for 60 days or longer in combination with releases of several high-value applications for vehicles resulted in reduction of the level of holds by some \$90 million. However, the level of holds tend to remain stable at around \$5.0 billion. Unfortunately, no new priority applications have been released from hold for the second week in a row.
- 5. **HIGH-VALUE APPLICATIONS FOR** SEVERAL VEHICLES. RELEASED **FOLLOWING PROVISION** OF **END-USE/USER INFORMATION:** Seven applications for vehicles worth total of 60 million (45%) of the total value released) were released from hold this week by the UK after being placed on hold for end-use/user information. It is interesting that several applications for similar or identical vehicles have been placed on hold for "military dual use" reason only last week but by another member of the Committee. Even this week, several similar applications were placed on hold for reasons other than "dual use". The releases included:

1000840(WS)	\$33.22M	Pick-ups
1000531(T)	\$11.14M	Nissans
1001241(A)	\$ 9.45M	Land Cruisers
1001312(SA)	\$ 3.2M	Toyotas
1001308(A)	\$ 2.16M	Gallopers
1000765(A)	\$ 1.04M	Trucks
1001613(T)	\$ 0.48M	Trucks

Holds in this category included 4 applications worth \$29 million:

1100157(Q)	\$17.06M	Pick-ups	Specs on valves, tools, kits
1100156(Q)	\$ 9.34M	Trucks	Specs, EU/EU info
1002096(Q)	\$ 1.4M	Truck parts	Specs on trucks, parts
930622(O)	\$ 1.29M	Tipper Tr.	Specs, EU/EU info

- 7. MORE APPLICATIONS WITHOUT FEEDBACK FROM HOLDING MISSIONS ADDRESSED LAST WEEK: Both the releases and changes of reason continued for applications pending feedback from holding mission(s) for 60 days or longer. The total value of comms in this category has decreased significantly this week due to changes of reason for several high-value applications. Of the total 680 applications worth \$2,007 million sent to the Committee, 100 applications worth \$251 million were released and the reason for hold was changed for 247 applications valued at \$950.7 million. Therefore, for the past five weeks the US addressed 347 applications valued \$1,201.7 million or about 60% of applications in this particular category in terms of the value (680 applications worth \$2,007 million). Most of these cases fall into the 'change of reason' rather than the 'released from hold' category. The above resulted in further overall reduction of applications in the group pending feedback from holding mission(s) from 491 applications last week to 456 applications this week, to include new applications added to the list this week.
- 8. Total of **46 applications worth \$129.7 million** was released last week. Apart from the vehicles released from hold (as in para above), the releases, *inter alia*, included:

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1001819(A)
            $17.3M
                         Bulldozers
1100343(T)
            $ 7.7M
                         Sheet Piles Equipment
900069(A)
            $ 4.8M
                         Installation
                         Dental Equipment
601778(M)
            $ 4.55M
801548(A)
            $ 4.2M
                         Irrigation equipment
1001877(A)
            $ 3.9M
                         Water Pumps
            $ 3.24M
                         Mud Pumps
730267(O)
            $ 2.42M
                         Water Pumps
1100358(A)
             $ 2.36M
                         Laboratory Equipment
100467(H)
             $ 2.01M
                         Wheel loaders
901734(T)
600701(WS) $ 1.7M
                         Chlorinators
1000695(H)
            $ 1.25M
                         Compressors
1001379(E)
            $ 1.2M
                         Vocational Needs
602090(WS) $ 1.1M
                         Pipes/Nozzles
901530(L)
            $ 0.92M
                         Autorod
1001506(SA) $ 0.84M
                         Cesspit Emptier Truck
901852(WS) $ 0.75M
                         Dosing Pumps
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1001889(E) \$ 0.44M Laboratory Equipment

9. Total of **36 applications worth \$59.8 million** was placed on hold during the last week. Apart from the comms. mentioned above, the new holds, *inter alia*, included:

1001846(H)	\$7.54M	Rehab. of Cement Plant Various specs	
1100494(A)	\$4.06M	Pumps	Specs
1100262(A)	\$2.4M	Tractor parts	Specs on pump, valve, nozzle
1002041(WS)	\$1.59M	Air compress.	Various specs.
1100529(A)	\$1.58M	Pesticides	WMD "dual use", specs.
1002025(A)	\$1.02M	Gen-sets	Military "dual use"
1100485(M)	\$1.86M	Medicines	Use, additional info
1030102(O)	\$0.94M	Valves/parts	Various specs
1002107(WS)	\$0.93M	Gen-sets	Military "dual use"
1100385(T)	\$0.75M	Valves	Tech specs
902033(A)	\$0.45M	Pesticides	WMD "dual use", specs