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The Department of State is informing you of its intent to obligate FY 2018 Foreign Military Financing-Overseas Contingency Operations (FMF-OCO) funds and FY 2019 FMF funds. This notification is being submitted on behalf of the Bureau of Political-Military Affairs.

Department of State - \$141,500,000

These funds will support the Countering Russian Influence Fund, Europe and Eurasia Regional, and Ukraine.

Obligations may be incurred in fifteen calendar days froom the above date of notification.

Sincerely,

Mary Elizabeth Taylor Assistant Secretary

Bureau of Legislative Affairs

Enclosure:

As stated.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE CONGRESSIONAL NOTIFICATION

PROGRAMS: Countering Russian Influence Fund (CRIF),

Europe and Eurasia Regional, and Ukraine

APPROPRIATION CATEGORIES: FY 2018 Foreign Military Financing

Overseas Contingency Operations (FMF-OCO) (\$26,500,000); FY 2019 FMF

(\$115,000,000)

INTENDED FY 2019 OBLIGATION: \$141,500,000

In accordance with section 634A of the Foreign Assistance Act (FAA) of 1961, as amended, and sections 7015(c) and 7015(d) of the Department of State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 2019 (Div. F, P.L. 116-6), and section 7015(c) of the Department of State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 2018 (Div. K, P.L. 115-141), this notification is to advise of our intent to obligate up to \$115,000,000 in FY 2019 FMF funding for Ukraine; and up to \$26,500,000 in FY 2018 FMF-OCO for the CRIF and Europe and Eurasia Regional.

Countering Russian Influence Fund

\$10,000,000 (FY 2018 FMF-OCO)

Regional European FMF funds, through the CRIF, will build the capacities of European allies and partners to deter and defend against emergent threats to territorial sovereignty; increase professionalization and modernization of security forces; enhance partner military integration with NATO; and strengthen defensive cyber capabilities to counter Russian influence and aggression. FMF may provide advisors, equipment, spare parts, and training to build maritime domain awareness, secure communications, command and control, marksmanship, night vision, disaster preparedness, and special operations and territorial defense unit capabilities. Funds may also provide advisors, equipment, spare parts, and training to build cyber and computer network defensive capabilities, including cyber detection, defense, and operations hardware, software, and training. Advisors may assist in developing and reforming information and cyber security doctrine and training. FMF will support building Ukraine's long-term capacity to provide for its own defense by supporting naval and maritime capabilities through the transfer, refurbishment, and upgrade of equipment provided through the Excess Defense Articles (EDA) program. FMF may support the transfer, refurbishment, and upgrade of Island-class Patrol Boats that will build Ukrainian capabilities to patrol in the Black Sea. Funds may also support related training and maritime advisors.

Up to \$10,000,000 in FY 2018 FMF-OCO funding will support Ukraine.

FMF will enhance the capabilities of Ukraine to provide Black Sea maritime security by providing equipment and training to respond to waterborne threats, maintain territorial sovereignty, and share maritime information to enable coalition operations, specifically focused on detecting, identifying, and tracking Russian surface, subsurface, and long-range aircraft combatants. FMF may provide advisors, equipment, spare parts, and training to build electronic signals intelligence, secure networking and communications, sensors, Navy special warfare capabilities, including small arms and maritime boarding training, anti-submarine warfare capabilities, including active towed array sonars, lightweight torpedoes, and sonobuoys, command and control, over-the-horizon radar improvements, and maritime operations center upgrades, including intelligence fusion software, servers, and workstations. Funds may also support Ukraine State Border Guard Service maritime rapid response units through the provision of small boats, communication and safety equipment, training simulators, spare parts, trainers, and sustainment. FMF may also support project coordinators to implement these activities. FMF may support up to \$5 million in previously provided Department of Defense (DoD)-funded maritime security assistance.

Up to \$16,500,000 in FY 2018 FMF-OCO funding will support Ukraine.

Ukraine

\$115,000,000 (FY 2019 FMF)

FMF will enhance the Ukrainian Armed Forces' capabilities to defend against further aggressive Russian actions, assist in developing combat capabilities to defend its sovereignty and territorial integrity, and defend against threats from Russia and Russian-led separatists. FMF funds will enhance Ukraine's ability to resist further Russian aggression by providing advisors, training, and equipment to support NATO interoperability, defense modernization, and military professionalization. Funds will support building Ukraine's long-term capacity to provide for its own defense by building an institutional training capability, combat training center, and credible defensive capability. FMF-funded training center support will enable Ukraine to field and sustain its forces by providing equipment, such as English language labs, medical equipment, the multiple integrated laser engagement system (MILES), an instrumentation system, an improvised explosive device simulator, virtual target training systems, and urban operations simulation equipment and sustainment. FMF funds may also fund small-scale construction related to training center development. Funds may also support equipment and training, including ammunition and weapons of a lethal defensive nature, to build special operations and conventional forces capabilities. Funding seeks to improve anti-armor, anti-personnel, and counter-sniper capabilities against Russian-led separatists by modernizing Ukraine's small arms weapons inventory with more precise and capable weapons, including sniper rifles and rocketpropelled grenade launchers. FMF funds may support combat casualty care training for recipients of lethal assistance. Funds may also support institutional and defense reform advisors and mobile training teams to enhance military professionalization, build cyber and information technology capabilities, and continue necessary defense reforms. FMF funding may support command and control equipment, sensors, communication equipment, electronic warfare, and related equipment to increase situational awareness. Funds may support the procurement, upgrade, and sustainment of counter-fire radars, as well as spare parts and training aids that will

enable Ukraine to identify and respond to artillery and mortar threats and protect its forward-deployed forces. FMF funds may support naval and maritime capabilities in support of the Ukrainian Navy's Strategy by providing maritime domain awareness, secure communications, and associated spare parts and training. Funds may also support the transfer and refurbishment of equipment through the EDA program. FMF funds may support the development of Ukrainian airfields to support territorial defense and training exercises by providing airfield equipment, including communication, weather, and physical security upgrades. FMF funds may sustain previously provided equipment such as training aides, night vision devises, radars, vehicles, and tactical communications. FMF funds will also support the sustainment of equipment previously provided to Ukraine under the DoD Ukraine Security Assistance Initiative. Equipment provided by DoD programs that may be sustained by FMF funding may total approximately \$5,000,000.