

RDT&E BUDGET ITEM JUSTIFICATION SHEET (R-2 Exhibit)	DATE FEBRUARY 2008
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APPROPRIATION / BUDGET ACTIVITY RDT&E, DEFENSE-WIDE / 7	R-1 ITEM NOMENCLATURE / PROJECT NO. PE 1160476BB SOF Tactical Radio Systems/S725
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COST (Dollars in Millions)	FY06	FY07	FY08	FY09	FY10	FY11	FY12	FY13	Cost to Complete	Total Cost
PE1160476B						3.201	3.261		Cont.	Cont.
S725 SOF Tactical Radio Systems						3.201	3.261		Cont.	Cont.

A new program element (PE)(1160476BB) was established beginning in FY 2009 for SOF Tactical Radio Systems. FY 2009-2013 resources were moved from PE 1160404BB, Special Operations Tactical Systems Development.

A. Mission Description and Budget Item Justification: The Tactical Radio Systems is a new line item that identifies all SOF radio programs. Tactical radios were a part of the Communications Equipment and Electronics line item which provides for communication systems to meet emergent requirements to support Special Operations Forces (SOF). The SOF mission mandates that SOF systems remain technologically superior to any threat to provide a maximum degree of survivability. SOF units require radio communication equipment that improves their warfighting capability without degrading their mobility. Therefore, SOF Tactical Radio Systems communications equipment and electronics will be a continuing effort to procure lightweight, efficient and interoperable SOF radios.

United States Special Operations Command (USSOCOM) has developed an overall strategy to ensure that Tactical Radio Systems continue to provide SOF with the required capabilities throughout the 21st century. The Tactical Radios provide the critical Command, Control, and Communication link between SOF Commanders and SOF Teams involved in Global War On Terrorism operations and training exercises. They also provide interoperability with all Services, various agencies of the US Government, Air Traffic Control (ATC), commercial agencies, and allied foreign forces. Tactical Radios rapidly and seamlessly establish and maintain mobile and fixed Command and Control communications between infiltrated/operational elements and higher echelon headquarters allowing SOF to operate with any force combination in multiple environments.

B. Program Change Summary:

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<p>Funding: No change.</p> <p>Schedule: None</p> <p>Technical: None</p>		