
GREECE REPORTEDLY PLANS TO SEND AIR DEFENSE SYSTEMS TO ARMENIA

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Greece is reportedly planning to sell Russian-made air defense systems used by its armed forces to Armenia, instead of supplying them to Ukraine.

The Greek news website Enikos.gr reported on Monday that the countrys armed forces are at an advance stage of abandoning their S-300 surface-to-air missiles and more short-range Tor-M1 and Osa-AK systems and replacing by them by more sophisticated Israeli equipment. It said nothing about the number of such units due to be provided to Armenia or their total cost.

Following Russias invasion of Ukraine, the Greek government resisted calls for donating its S-300 systems to Kyiv in addition to Russian-manufactured armored vehicles supplied to the Ukrainian army. According to Enikos.gr, the governments decision to provide this and other anti-aircraft weapons purchased from Russia in the past to Yerevan instead is a strategic choice reflecting historically close links between Armenia and Greece. It is also the product of cooperation with France, which has emerged in recent years as Armenias main military backer in the West.

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