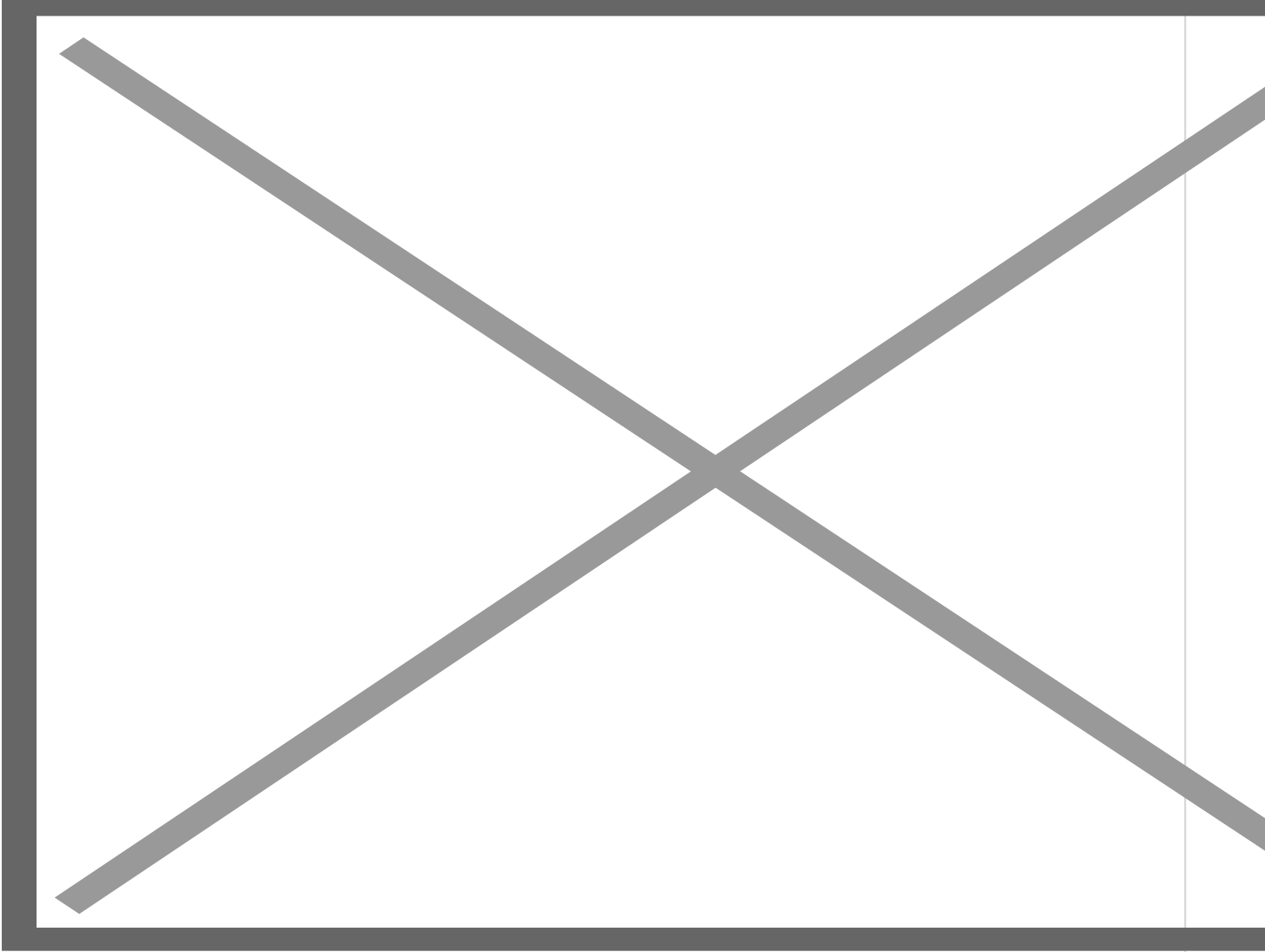


Biden White House approves billions in new arms deals to Middle East and Indonesia

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Washington, February 11 (RHC) -- The Joe Biden administration has approved \$5 billion of new weapons sales to Jordan, Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates. The deals include missile defense systems and advanced fighter jets.

The State Department also approved the sale this week of nearly \$14 billion worth of U.S.-made weapons to Indonesia.

Meanwhile, Republican Senator Rand Paul of Kentucky has proposed a resolution that would cancel the Biden administration's planned weapons sale to Egypt, valued at over \$2.5 billion. In an op-ed published Thursday, Paul blasted the government of President Abdel Fattah el-Sisi for extrajudicial killings, torture and harsh crackdowns on activists exercising free speech. Paul wrote: "My resolution to cancel military sales offers a choice—whether the United States will side with the Egyptian people, or with their oppressors."

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