TWO U.S. CITIZENS ARRESTED FOR ILLLEGALLY EXPORTING TECHNOLOGY TO RUSSIA

Two Kansas men were arrested today on charges related to a years-long scheme to circumvent U.S. export laws that included the illegal export of aviation-related technology to Russia after Russia's unprovoked invasion of Ukraine on Feb. 24, 2022, and the imposition of stricter restrictions on exports to Russia.

JUSTICE DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCES CHARGES AND SENTENCE IN CONNECTION WITH IRANIAN PROCUREMENT NETWORK’S ATTEMPTS TO ACQUIRE SOPHISTICATED MILITARY TECHNOLOGY

A federal court in the District of Columbia unsealed two indictments yesterday charging multiple defendants with violations of the Arms Export Control Act (AECA) and the International Emergency Economic Powers Act (IEEPA) for their roles in separate schemes to procure and export U.S. technology to Iran between 2005 and 2013.

NEW RESTRICTED ENTITIES

There are certain entities that SIU should not be working with due to national security or foreign policy concerns. We would like to bring to your attention a recent Bureau of Industry and Security (BIS) final rule, in which the Export Administration Regulations (EAR) have been amended to add 37 new entities to the Entity List, effective March 2, 2023. Two that may particularly affect our university are:

- BGI Research and
- BGI Tech Solutions (Hongkong) Co., Ltd.

Please review the above link for the full list of new restricted entities. If you are currently working with any of the entities listed, please cease all activity immediately and contact the Export Controls Office. Additionally, any time you are planning to collaborate with any foreign entity, including individuals, corporations or universities, please provide the information to the Export Controls Office to perform restricted party screening. This screening will ensure that we do not collaborate with any foreign entities on any restricted lists.
"TALENT PROGRAM" FAQS

What is a foreign “TALENTS” program?

Any foreign state sponsored attempt to acquire U.S.-funded scientific research through recruitment programs that target scientists, engineers, academics, researchers, and entrepreneurs of all nationalities working or educated in the United States.

These recruitment programs are often part of broader whole-of-government strategies to reduce costs associated with basic research while focusing investment on military development or dominance in emerging technology sectors. The Department of Energy issued an order on 7 July 2019 with fairly clear explanations of Talents programs [DOE O 486.1].

How does this affect SIU and me?

Association with a Talents Program can lead to ineligibility to receive Federal funding for your research. Currently there is no due process to challenge such a determination or limit to the time interval over which it is imposed. Past associations may also be concerning to the US Government.

CHINA DEFENSE UNIVERSITIES TRACKER

The Tracker is a tool created by ASPI's International Cyber Policy Centre to inform universities, governments and scholars as they engage with the entities from the People's Republic of China. It aims to build understanding of the expansion of military-civil fusion—the Chinese government’s policy of integrating military and civilian efforts—into the education sector. The Tracker should be used to inform due diligence of Chinese institutions.

EQUIPMENT USED IN RESEARCH

If you use the following equipment/goods in your research or the below is your area of research, please call the Director of Export Controls at 618-650-2476.

Sights and sighting devices for firearms that have focal plane array or image intensifier tube, technology for ........................................................ 0E987

Signal processor microcircuits ...................................................... 3A001.a.3 Note

Signal generators, frequency synthesizer based ......................... 3A002.d

Signal analyzers ................................................................. 3A002.c

Signal processing devices, acousto-optic ........................................ 3A001.c.3

Signal processing equipment, sonar .................................................. 6A001.a.1.d

Signal processing equipment .................................................... 4A994.f

Signal processing equipment, general purpose digital ................. 4A003

Signal processing equipment, hydrophone arrays .................. 6A001.a.2.c

Signal (information bearing) reducing systems, equipment and components .................................................. 5A003.b

Signal tracking development/use technology, laser .................. 5E001.b.2

Signature suppression devices, treatments & fittings .................. 1C001

Signature (electromagnetic) reduction devices .......................... 1C001
SIU CLEAN LAPTOP PROGRAM

All SIU travel to the below countries WILL REQUIRE that an Informational Technology Services clean laptop be used during SIU business travel to those countries. Your SIU issued laptop computer SHALL NOT be transported to any of the below countries.

- Iran
- Russia
- Ukraine (Crimea Region)
- Sudan
- Syria
- China
- Cuba
- North Korea
- Venezuela
- Cambodia
- Belarus

U.S. EXPORT CONTROL REGULATIONS

- EXPORT ADMINISTRATION REGULATIONS (EAR) by the U.S. Department of Commerce Bureau of Industry and Security (BIS)

- INTERNATIONAL TRAFFIC IN ARMS REGULATIONS (ITAR) by the U.S. Department of State Directorate of Defense Trade Controls (DDTC)

- FOREIGN ASSETS CONTROL REGULATIONS (FACR) by the U.S. Department of Treasury Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC)

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