U.S. LIKELY TO LEVY HIGHER PENALTIES FOR EXPORT-CONTROL VIOLATIONS

A top U.S. official said businesses should expect much higher penalties for violations of export controls, the use of which has expanded as the U.S. seeks to curb the ability of Russia and China to obtain certain technology. U.S. penalties for export-control violations could begin to approach the size of those meted out for foreign bribery.

JUSTICE DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCES CHARGES AND ARREST IN TWO SEPARATE ILLICIT TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER SCHEMES

In two separate cases out of U.S. Attorneys’ Offices on opposite coasts, several individuals are charged in connection with sophisticated schemes to transfer sensitive technology, goods, and information for the benefit of hostile foreign adversaries, in violation of U.S. law.

AMERICAN SHORT-TERM STUDY IN CHINA INITIATIVE (ASSCI)

The American Short-Term Study in China Initiative (ASSCI) is a scholarship program offered by the Embassy of the People’s Republic of China in the United States of America and administered by the American Association of State Colleges and Universities (AASCU).

As a reminder, you must contact the Export Controls Office prior to any involvement or collaborations with international entities. Therefore, if you receive an invitation or information from this initiative or any international initiative, you must clear it with the Export Controls Office before responding.

You can find information about Foreign Talent Programs here. However, the regulations are ever changing and evolving. Therefore, while you can use this to gain knowledge, you should still contact the Export Controls Office before any international involvement, even if you don’t believe it meets the criteria as a Foreign Talent Program, as there are also further regulations and laws to consider.
"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.

Spindle assemblies............................... 2B998.a

Spindle assemblies, machine tools.............................................2B008.d

Spray booms or arrays of aerosol generating units, specially designed for fitting to aircraft, lighter than air vehicles," or “UAVs”............... 2B352.i.2

Spray cooling thermal management systems...........................................3A003

Spray-drying equipment capable of drying toxins or pathogenic microorganisms...........................................2B352.f

Spraying or fogging systems, specially designed for fitting to aircraft, “lighter than air vehicles,” or “UAVs” ...........................................2B352.i.1

Spraying production equipment, plasma with controlled atmosphere........2B005.d

Spread spectrum development technology techniques........... 5E001.b.4

Spread spectrum radio equipment...........................................5A001.b.3

Spread spectrum spreading code generation..........................5A002.e

Sprytron tubes, vacuum ............3A228.a

Sputter deposition production equipment ....................... 2B005.e
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.

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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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