

SIU EXPORT CONTROLS MONTHLY

A RESOURCE FOR CURRENT EXPORT CONTROL ISSUES AND EVENTS THAT COULD AFFECT SIU AND ITS FACULTY

EXPORT CONTROL VIOLATION HOTLINE

If you suspect an export control violation, call:
618-650-2476



EXPORT CONTROL ARTICLES



ARMS DEALER PLEADS GUILTY TO CONSPIRING TO EXPORT AMERICAN-MADE AMMUNITION USED IN WAR AGAINST UKRAINE

Italian national Manfred Gruber pleaded guilty to conspiracy to commit export control violations. Gruber illegally exported ammunition worth over \$540,000 from the United States to Kyrgyzstan, via companies that the defendant and his co-conspirator controlled in Italy.

TWO U.S. NATIONALS SENTENCED FOR FACILITATING FRAUDULENT REMOTE INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY WORKER SCHEME THAT GENERATED \$5M IN REVENUE FOR THE DEMOCRATIC PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF KOREA

Two U.S. nationals, Kejia Wang, 42, and Zhenxing Wang, 39, were sentenced for their roles in facilitating North Korean remote information technology (IT) workers posing as U.S. residents to obtain work at more than 100 U.S. companies. The multi-year scheme used the stolen identities of at least 80 U.S. persons and generated more than \$5 million in illicit revenue for the government of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea (DPRK).

INTERNATIONAL COLLABORATIONS AND CONDUCTING RESEARCH ABROAD

Collaborating internationally with another researcher or foreign institution may have export control implications.

The exchange of scientific information with researchers and administrators abroad can trigger control requirements such as end user screening and export licensing for tangible items and software.

Visiting scholars/researchers who visit SIU as part of the collaboration need to be screened and restrictions to certain export-controlled equipment or data may apply.

Additional considerations must be assessed if you are traveling abroad to conduct your research, or for any other reason, including what items you plan to take abroad, who you will be meeting with, and the type of actions you will be taking.

Please contact the Export Controls Office for any of these scenarios.

FOREIGN TALENT PROGRAM

A foreign talent program is 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. The Department of Energy issued an order on 7 July 2019 with fairly clear explanations of Talents programs [DOE O 486.1](#).

Participation in such a program must be disclosed on the FCOI form, as well as any relevant forms related to any federal funding that you may be receiving, and on future federal funding proposals. Association with a Talents Program could potentially lead to ineligibility to receive Federal funding for your research.

MALIGN FOREIGN TALENT RECRUITMENT PROGRAM (MFTRP)

The federal government’s definition of a MFTRP or “malign” program includes three main elements: (1) Sponsored by a “country of concern” as defined by the Secretary of State, and currently (as of January 1, 2024) includes China, North Korea, the Russian Federation, and Iran; (2) There is some form compensation or benefit (which does not have to be monetary, including the promise of a future benefit including in-kind contributions or honorary titles); and (3) Includes one of more of the problematic indicators in the federal government’s definition of a “malign” talent program.

Participation in a MFTRP is prohibited for researchers applying for or receiving federal funding.

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.

Uranium isotopes separation, lasers or laser systems	0B001.h.6
Uranium, natural or depleted	0C001
Uranium oxidation systems	0B001.e.6
Uranium plasma generation systems	0B001.i.4
Uranium titanium alloys	1C004
Uranium vapor product & tails collector systems	0B001.g.3
Vaccines and immunotoxins	1C991
Vacuum furnaces	2B226
Vacuum furnaces	2B227
Vacuum induction furnaces	2B226
Vacuum induction furnace, power supplies	2B226
Vacuum headers	0B002.f.1
Vacuum housings for uranium electromagnetic separators	0B001.j.3
Vacuum manifolds	0B002.f.1
Vacuum melting, remelt & casting furnaces	2B227
Vacuum microelectronic device development/production technology	3E003.a

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

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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