# 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



### INTERNATIONAL ARMS DEALER PLEADS GUILTY TO CONSPIRING TO EXPORT FIREARMS TO RUSSIA

Sergei Zharnovnikov, 46, of Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan, pleaded guilty in federal court to conspiracy to commit export violations. The defendant exported firearms and ammunition worth over \$1.5 million from the United States to Russia, in violation of U.S. law. When sentenced, Zharnovnikov faces up to 20 years in prison.

#### VENEZUELAN NATIONAL AND U.S. CITIZEN ARRESTED FOR SANCTIONS EVASION AND SMUGGLING IN SCHEME TO SUPPLY VENEZUELA'S STATE-OWNED STEEL INDUSTRY

Juan Carlos Cairo-Padron, 56, of Huntsville, Texas, and Thomas Michael Fortinberry, 51, of Decatur, Alabama, were arrested on a federal criminal complaint charging them with violating U.S. sanctions related to Venezuela, illegally smuggling goods from the United States, and money laundering.

### **SIU EXPORT CONTROLS OVERVIEW**

Do you have questions about exactly what "export controls" is or what the Export Controls Office does? Export Controls affects all types of international activities, not just shipping equipment overseas. Therefore, it is imperative that all employees and students understand when export controls may apply.

We have created an <u>Export Controls Overview</u> document that provides export control basics in a brief two-page document. It explains types of export control activities, research exclusions, red flags to watch for, penalties for noncompliance, and key functions of the Export Controls Office.

With penalties of up to \$1,000,000 per violation, it is important that everyone understands and adheres to export control regulations.

Additional training information and tools can be found on the Export Controls Training webpage: <u>Export Controls - Training | SIU</u> <u>System.</u>

## **"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 <u>DOE O 486.1</u>.

#### 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 militarycivil 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.

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## **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

- <u>EXPORT ADMINISTRATION</u> <u>REGULATIONS (EAR)</u> by the U.S. Department of Commerce Bureau of Industry and Security (BIS)
- INTERNATIONAL TRAFFIC IN ARMS <u>REGULATIONS (ITAR)</u> by the U.S. Department of State Directorate of Defense Trade Controls (DDTC)
- <u>FOREIGN ASSETS CONTROL</u> <u>REGULATIONS (FACR)</u> by the U.S. Department of Treasury Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC)

## SIU EXPORT CONTROLS WEBSITE

# SIU EXPORT CONTROL COMPLIANCE MANUAL

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## **NEWSLETTER CONTENT REQUESTS**

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