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MEDIA ADVISORY:

Today, the Department of Commerce’s Bureau of Industry and Security (BIS) is implementing an expansion of controls on the export, reexport, or transfer (in-country) of certain foreign-produced items located in or destined to Iran, to address ongoing concerns regarding Iran’s potential use of U.S. technology in weapons systems.

This rule implements the requirements of the No Technology for Terror Act (the Act), which was passed in April as part of emergency supplemental appropriations for the current fiscal year. As required by the Act, the BIS rule expands the scope of the Export Administration Regulations’ (EAR) Iran Foreign Direct Product rule (FDPR). The expansion, effective July 23, 2024, is designed to further impede Iran’s ability to procure technology and components critical for military systems, including advanced drones that pose threats to U.S. forces and allies.

Today’s expanded controls build upon existing restrictions on Iran that apply under the Iran FDPR by imposing licensing requirements for the export, reexport, and transfer (in-country) of additional foreign-produced items located in or destined to Iran and by adding a new end-user scope that targets transactions involving such items in which the Government of Iran is a party.

This rule reflects our efforts to ensure robust enforcement of export controls and to prevent the proliferation of weapons systems that threaten U.S. troops overseas or key allies.