

Importance of Security Export Control in Industry

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Security Export Control System in Japan (Basic Legal Structure under FEFTA)





Reform of the Law and Regulation (Modification of the FEFTA on Criminal Charges(1st of Oct 2017))

- Japan raised the amount of fines applied to illegal conducts of exports or imports (The maximum fines are increased) on 1st October 2017.
- Also, criminal charges (Imprisonment and fine) is to be applied against violations of license conditions such as prior consent re-export with METI (Currently, non criminal fines).

	Townsh	illegal conduct of import/export					
	Target	WMD	Conventional Arms	others			
Previous System	Individual and Company	or or or or or or					
Present System (since 1 st October 2017)	Individual	30 million yen or 5 times of the export price	20 million yen or 5 times of the export price	10 million yen or 5 times of the export price			
	Company	1 billion yen or 5 times of the export price	700 million yen or 5 times of the export price	500 million yen or 5 times of the export price			

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Reform of the Law and Regulation (Modification of the FEFTA on administrative penalties(1st of Oct 2017))

- Introduction of new regulations to persons, who received administrative penalty, to prohibit taking a new position in another company to keep their trades, and so on.
- Adding brokers related to a skeptical trade to the subject of on-site inspections.



Reform of the Law and Regulation (Future Challenge)Restructure of the Control list of FEFTA)

/international control list

- Control list numbering system of Japan is different from other countries.
- Since an increase of the burden of business operators may hinder their compliance activity, it should be considered to reduce such burden by making it consistent with international control list (e.g., EU control list).

<Japan's control list>

		Export Control		international control list	
Category	Item	Regime		Category	Item
1	Munitions	WA (ML)		ML	Munitions
2	Nuclear related items	NSG]/→	Cat. O	Nuclear related item
3, 3-2	Items related to Chemical Weapons and Biological weapons	AG			
4	Missile related items	MTCR			Special Materials and
5	Special Materials and Related Equipment	WA (Cat.1)	$] \longrightarrow / \longrightarrow$	Cat.1	Related Equipment
6	Materials Processing	WA (Cat.2)	$ \longrightarrow / \longrightarrow $	Cat.2	Materials Processing
	<u> </u>			Cat.3	Electronics
7	Electronics	WA (Cat.3)		Cat.4	Computers
8	Computers	WA(Cat.4)	$ \longrightarrow / \longrightarrow $		Telecommunication
9	Telecommunication and "Information Security"	WA(Cat.5)	$] \longrightarrow$	Cat.5	and "Information Security"
10	Sensors and "Lasers"	WA(Cat.6)	1 ──∕───→	Cat.6	Sensors and "Lasers"
11	Navigation and Avionics	WA(Cat.7)		Cat.7	Navigation and Avionics
12	Marine	WA(Cat.8)			
13	Aerospace and Propulsion	WA (Cat.9)	1 -/>	Cat.8	Marine
14	Other items	WA (ML)	$1 \not \longrightarrow$	Cat.9	Aerospace and Propulsion
15	Sensitive items	WA (VSL)			
16	All items except food and wood, etc.	Catch-all	(Note) Some items of NSG		
			allocated in Cat.1-9 ur	hder internatior	ial control list.



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Importance of Security Export Control in Industry



- After serious illegal export case by Japanese company in 1987, Japanese government strengthened security export control systems by increasing criminal penalties and administrative sanctions for violators.
- METI also promoted Japanese industries to strengthen their export control activities through establishment of ICP systems since self management by exporters is most important for effective implementation of export control.

Self management by exporters

- Exporters can reduce the risk of being unintentionally involved in illicit exports, and can streamline license application procedures (e.g., bulk license).
- The government can focus its resources on more sensitive export applications, and can reduce costs and time of license application review.

Government Support

- METI issues bulk licenses to certified ICP holders registered by METI after onsite inspection.
- METI publishes a list of certified ICP holders on METI's web-site.
- METI sends the information on the amendment of laws and regulation to certified ICP holders.

Overview of an Internal Compliance Program (ICP) S METL

- Internal Compliance Program (ICP) is an exporter's internal policy to comply with the export control laws and regulations.
- Having an ICP is not mandatory, but METI has been encouraging exporters in Japan to establish an ICP since 1987.
- As of the end of 2017, over 1400 exporters in Japan had registered their ICPs with METI.





- A. "Standard for Exporters" Requirements for All Exporters under FEFTA
- 1. To appoint a person responsible for classification
- 2. To give necessary instructions to export control staff so that they observe the latest laws and regulations
- **B. "Standard for Exporters"** Requirements for Exporters dealing with Controlled Items under FEFTA
- 1. To appoint a person who represents the organization as the person responsible for export control
- 2. To clarify responsibilities of each section related to export control
- 3. To establish proper procedures for classification
- 4. To establish proper procedures for transaction screening, and conduct them accordingly
- 5. To conduct proper shipment control
- 6. To make all reasonable efforts to establish proper procedures for auditing, and conduct them accordingly
- 7. To make all reasonable efforts to give proper training for all members engaged in export control
- 8. To make all reasonable efforts to keep export control documents for an appropriate period (in principle 7 years)
- 9. To report immediately to METI if exporters commit violations, and take remedial measures

C. Additional Requirements for ICPs

- 1. To properly conduct auditing, training and keeping export control documents (more stringent requirements than B. 6 8)
- 2. To properly instruct subsidiaries and affiliated companies regarding export control

Types of Bulk License



Bulk Licens	e Valid for multiple transactions for 3 years		
General Bulk Export License	 Export of specific items to white countries Only electronic application is acceptable. ICPs and prior on-site check are NOT required. 		
Special General Bulk Export License	 Exports of specific items to specific countries (i.e. export of WA/BL to non-WA countries, etc.). ICPs and prior on-site check are required. 		
Special Bulk Export License	 Repeated exports of specific items to specific customers. ICPs and prior on-site check are required. 		
Special Bulk Export License for Repair or Replacement	 Re-exports of arms and arms-related items (category 1) to the country of origin for repair or replacement. ICPs and prior on-site check are required. 		
Special Bulk Export License for Overseas Subsidiaries	 Exports of specific items to subsidiaries in foreign countries. ICPs and prior on-site check are required. 		

Procedure for Obtaining a Bulk Export License



<In case of Special General Bulk Export License, Special Bulk Export License, etc.>



If not, METI provides necessary instructions



Challenges: Outreach Activities for SMEs

- Although over 1400 companies registered ICP to METI, large number of SMEs do not have sufficient self-export control management system.
- Therefore, METI has strengthened support for SMEs by using a new channel.

Current Efforts

- Every year, METI holds <u>around 60 export control seminars</u> co-organized by JETRO, chamber of commerce and industry organizations in various region.
- In addition, <u>METI started to hold workshops for SME experts who give an advise to</u> <u>SMEs</u> for their overseas business activities in cooperation with JETRO and SME Support.

Future Efforts

- METI plans to organize <u>seminars for SMEs about preventative measures for critical</u> <u>technology leakage</u> including security export control and relevant technology management systems.
- METI also plans to <u>dispatch experts</u> to SMEs to support their establishment of ICP systems.