

Export control of Dual-Use goods and technologies in Hungary

Legal basis for control is given by the EU Dual-Use Regulations (Council regulations No. 1334/2000/EC)

A national regulation (Government Decree No. 50/2004 (III.23.)) has also been adopted to implement certain provisions of the Community regulations, and additional national regulations.

Licensing is implemented by the Hungarian Trade Licensing Office under guidance of the Minister of Economy and Transport. Other agencies such as MFA, Hungarian Atomic Energy Agency also participate in the decision making process. Licensing is done electronically using Tracker system. The new Law on Public Administration modernized our procedures on a client friendly manner. Since 2nd January, 2007 applications can be submitted electronically. Licenses are still issued on paper. Technical analysis/product classification is done by the staff of the Export Control Department. In case of difficulties the EU Pool of Experts might be contacted for assistance.

Most **intangible transfers** are also controlled. However technology transfers related to the cross-boarder movement of natural persons is exempted. The latest will be controlled very soon on national basis.

Transit of and brokering with dual-use goods and technologies are at present not controlled.

Enforcement is done by several agencies including Customs, National Security Office and Atomic Energy Agency. Violations of the export control regulation is considered as crime and sanctioned by the Penal Code appropriately.

List review is not national competence any more. However the Dual-Use Regulation allows additions to the control list on a national basis. Control lists are based on the lists of the Wassenaar Arrangement and the non-proliferation regimes, compiled on community level.

Outreach to exporters is a priority in dual-use export control. All relevant information is published on the Web site of the office (www.mkeh.gov.hu). To target those who are most involved in dual-use export an Export Control News Letter has been launched. Any time the regulations change a PR/training campaign is launched to inform those concerned.

As part of the registration process exporters representatives (Contact persons) are trained to comply with the regulations.

An **Interagency Committee on Non-Proliferation** was established by the Government to discuss all major issues related to proliferation, dual-use control and the implementation of the CWC and the BTWC. This Committee meets every 3 months, and serves as a forum for more political discussions.