

International Cooperation for More Effective Export Control

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Background – Increasing Proliferation Concern

- **More sophisticated and intricate procurement methods adopted by individual/entities of concern**
 - such as utilizing front companies and circumvention exports
- **Procurement of WMD by terrorist groups**
 - procurement through international networks
- **Rapid advancement of technologies for civilian use**
 - growing concern of diversion of dual-use items to military end-use



Effective export control has become even more essential.

Necessity of International Cooperation (1)

for effective export control, we should....

.. ***Establish common awareness of the latest concerns about proliferation***

- International export control regimes (WA, NSG, AG, MTCR), etc.

.. ***Introduce appropriate legal framework***

- Export control list adopted four international export control regimes
- “Catch-all control” regulation, etc.

.. ***Implement strict export control***

- Effective export screening procedures
- Strict border control by customs officers, etc.



However.....

Necessity of International Cooperation (2)

It is not easy for countries without experience of export control

- to get the latest information about concerns on proliferation
- to newly introduce export control systems, or
- to implement strict export control by themselves.

- Difficulties in introducing export control:
- . Control lists are technically complicated
 - . Lack of coordination among related agencies
 - . Difficult to get understanding from industries



International cooperation is essential!

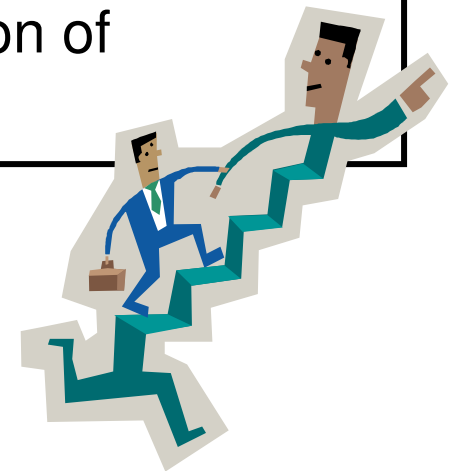


Countries with greater export control experience should assist through **Outreach Activities.**

Outreach Activities for Effective Export Control

○ Advantages of Outreach Activities

- Outreach is one of the most important activities to achieve the goal of non-proliferation.
 - Introduce appropriate legislation
 - Implement effective licensing procedures
 - Improved inter-agency/government-industry cooperation
- Outreach brings benefits to both providers and recipients.
 - Diminishes the risk of proliferation
 - Creates mutual trust and leads to the activation of international trade



Japan's Outreach Activities

- **Japan's outreach activities are mainly centered on countries in the Asian region. These countries:**
 - Experienced a rapid increase in their economy and trade
 - Have insufficient export control systems and ability to enforce them
 - Are possible targets of nations/entities of concern



Examples of Japan's Outreach



Asian Export Control Seminar

16th Seminar (Feb. 2009)
Attended by 25 countries/regions

Program to Improve Implementation of Export Control

Nov. 2008
Attended by 5 countries

Industry Outreach Seminar

Since 2004
Attended by 15 countries/regions



Conclusion

What should we do?

➤ International cooperation is increasingly required for effective export control.

- Essential for effective enforcement, necessary to improve important elements of the export control of a country/region



All of us should play a role in the global community.

➤ Japan has been helping with the improvement of Asian export control through outreach activities.

- Many countries have observed progress in their export control systems.



Japan will continue to support further efforts to achieve the goal of non-proliferation.

Questions?

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Thank you for your kind attention!



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