

## Forwarders & Export Compliance

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# Overview of Recent Regulatory Changes

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# Overview of proposed changes

- Filing requirements for Puerto Rico and Virgin Islands
  - Comment overview
  - Overview of Themes
- County of Origin
  - Comment overview
  - Overview of Themes
- Overview of Theme-subtopics
- Status and next steps



### **PR-VI ANPRM Status**

- Published in Federal Register on September 17, 2020
- Public comment period ended on November 16, 2020
- 93 Letters/Emails received which accounted for 139 individual comments
  - 59 public comments are available to view on the regulations.gov portal



## **ANPRM Comments**

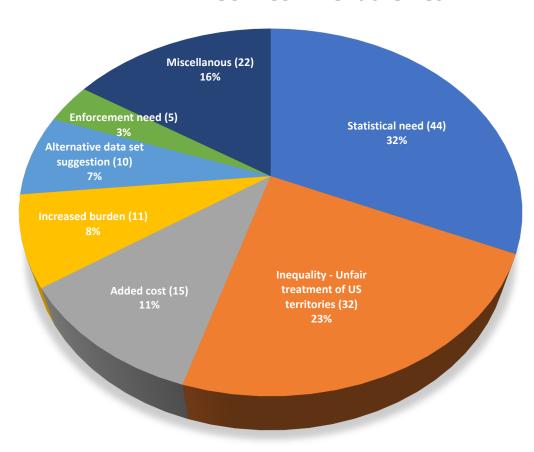
### **Total of 93 Comments Received**

139 individual comments

#### Common Themes:

- Statistical need (32%)
- Enforcement (3%)
- Inequality Unfair treatment of US territories
   (23%)
- Added cost (11%)
- Increased burden (8%)
- Alternative data sources (7%)
- Misc (16%)

#### **ANPRM PR-USVI Comment themes**





# Types of Respondents

- Trade Associations
- Logistics Providers
- University of Puerto Rico
- Government entities of the US, PR and VI
- Telecom Providers
- Manufacturers and Distributors
- Economists
- Individuals



## Next steps

- ANPRM Withdrawal issued February 4, 2022 to retain filing requirement
- Internal consideration for pilot options for reporting shipments to and from Puerto Rico
- Government stakeholders continue to work with the Government of Puerto Rico to identify alternate data sources with high quality and timeliness



## Country of Origin NPRM Status

- Published in Federal Register on December 15, 2021
- Public comment period ended on February 14, 2022
- 32 Letters/Emails received which accounted for 57 individual comments

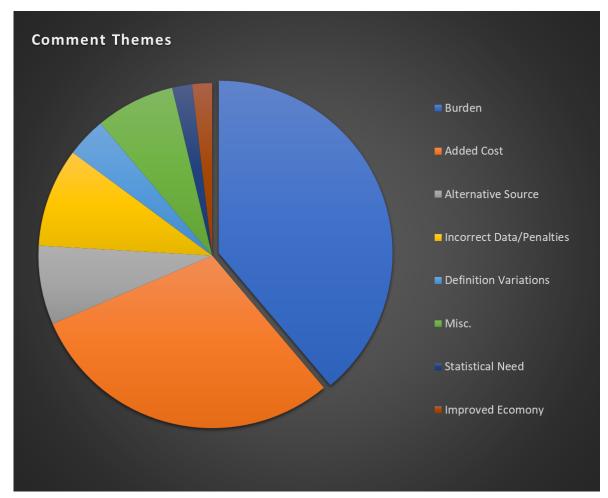


# Country of Origin Comments

Total of 32 Emails/Letters Received
Resulted in 57 unique comments

#### Common Themes:

- Statistical need (2%)
- Improved economy (2%)
- Burden (40%)
- Added cost (28%)
- Incorrect data/penalties (11%)
- Alternative data sources/import data (7%)
- COO definition variations (4%)
- Misc (6%)





## Next steps

- Evaluate comments to determine best options moving forward
- Continue to communicate with trade community about alternatives, including feedback here at NCBFAA
- Make decision and provide outreach to all stakeholders



# Other Updates

- Routed Rule proposal status
- Shipments to Russia/Belarus
- Blog content
  - Shipments to Puerto Rico
  - New license codes
  - Sch B updates



# International Trade Call Center (800-549-0595)



### **Automated Export System**

Option 1

askaes@census.gov

#### **Classification Assistance**

Option 2

Eid.scheduleb@census.gov

### Trade Regulations Branch

Option 3

emd.askregs@census.gov

### **Data Dissemination**

Option 4

Eid.international.trade.data @census.gov

#### Outreach

Option 5

emd.outreach@census.gov



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# Topics of Discussion

- Fact Patterns
- Response to Russia/Belarus sanctions Part 746.8
- End-User Screening Part 744
- Managing changes in the EAR
- AES edit for C33 (No License Required) Part 758 and 732.5



# Classification Number (ECCN)

## Categories-

Nuclear & Miscellaneous 0 Materials, Chemicals, Microorganisms, & Toxins 2 **Materials Processing** Electronics Computers Telecommunications & 5 Information Security Sensors & Lasers 6 Navigation & Avionics Marine 8 Aerospace & Propulsion 9

# 9 A 619 Specific Entries

### **Product Groups**

A	Systems, Equipment, & Components		
В	Test, Inspection, & Production Equipment		
C	Materials		
D	Software		
E	Technology		



# Does the USPPI Need a License?

What is it? Where is it going? Who will receive it? What is the end use?



# Russia & Belarus Sanctions

In response to the Russian Federation's invasion of Ukraine, the Bureau of Industry and Security has issued two final rules. The actions taken by BIS build on existing restrictions in place on Russia since its occupation of Crimea in 2014 and for other purposes.

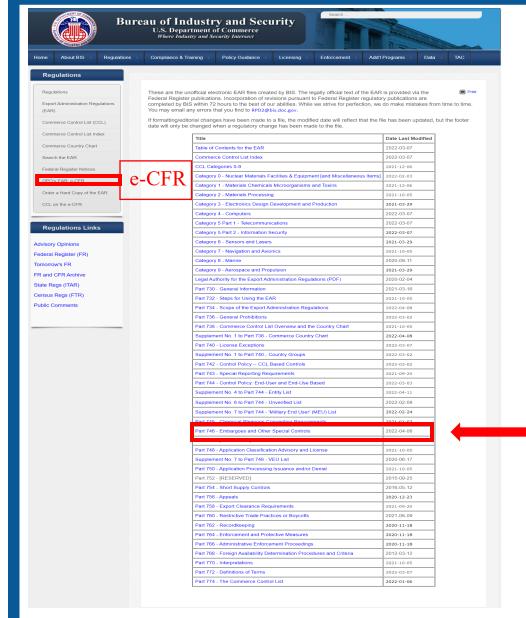
- February 24, 2022: Russia Sanctions Rule (Implemented day of invasion): Part 746.8
- March 2, 2022: Belarus Sanctions Rule: Part 746.8
- March 11, 2022: "Luxury Goods" restrictions 746.10 and Supplement # 5 to part 746



# How to Find the Russia/Belarus Sanctions www.bis.doc.gov







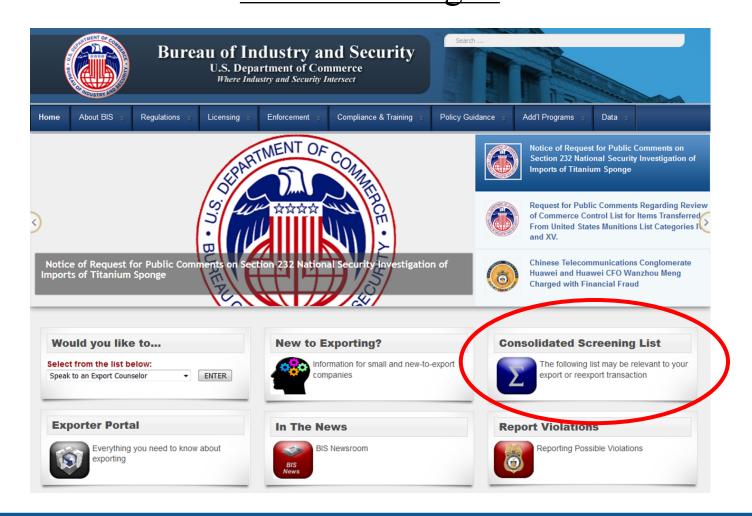
# Electronic EAR Files

- Part 746.8 Sanctions Against Russia & Belarus
- 746.10 'Luxury Goods' Sanctions Against Russia and Belarus
- Supplement # 5 to 746 Luxury Goods that require a License to export

Part 746 Embargoes and Other Special Controls



# the CSL www.bis.doc.gov





### https://www.trade.gov/consolidated-screening-list



Use the Consolidated Screening List Search Engine.

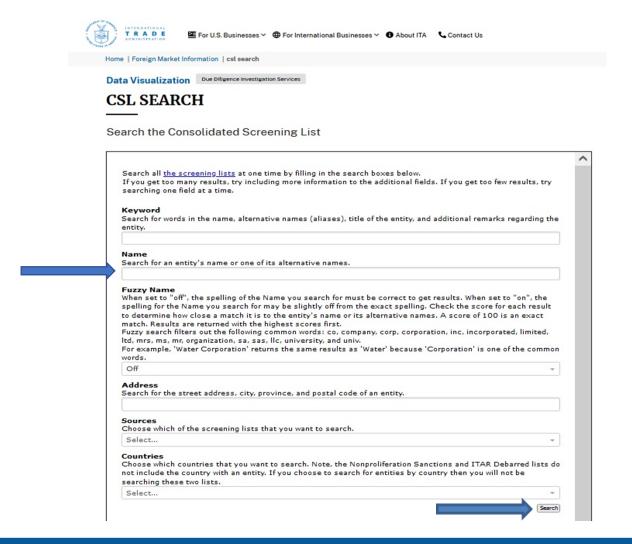
The Consolidated Screening List (CSL) is a list of parties for which the United States Government maintains restrictions on certain exports, reexports, or transfers of items. Below, under "Tools" are links to the CSL search engine, downloadable CSL files, and the CSL Application Programming Interface (API), all consisting of the consolidation of multiple export screening lists of the Departments of Commerce, State, and Treasury.

#### **Key Considerations:**

- These tools are a consolidation of multiple export screening lists of the Departments of Commerce, State, and the Treasury and may be used as an aid to industry in conducting electronic screens of potential parties to regulated transactions.
- In the event that a company, entity, or person on the list appears to match a party potentially involved in your export transaction, additional due diligence should be conducted before proceeding.
- There may be a strict export prohibition, requirement for seeking a license application, evaluation of the end-use or user to ensure it does not result in an activity prohibited by any U.S. export regulations, or other restriction.
- Prior to taking further action, to ensure full compliance with all of the terms and conditions of the restrictions placed on the parties on this list, the user must check the official publication of restricted parties in the Federal Register. They should also check the official lists of restricted parties maintained on the websites of the Departments of Commerce, State, and the Treasury.



### https://www.trade.gov/data-visualization/csl-search





# EAR





## Sign up For email Notifications





# Required (NLR)

# Response Code 66Q: ECCN & COUNTRY OF DEST NOT ALLOWED FOR C33 (NLR)

- On January 13, 2022, BIS and CBP launched a new AES Edit that notifies the exporter of prohibited use of the license type "No License Required (NLR C33)" for certain combinations of Export Control Classification Numbers (ECCN) to Countries of Ultimate Destination based on reasons for control as statement in the Export Administration Regulations (EAR).
- The response message will indicate which specific commodity line the error is occurring. For example: 66Q Commodity Line 4.
- Part 758 of the EAR does not require any ECCN entry in C33 -- so the new 66Q edit does not activate if you leave that field blank. EAR99 or ECCNs controlled for AT reasons only to a destination also will not trigger an error message.
- AES response code 66Q will be triggered by 1 ore more of these 3 reasons:
  - 1) Country of Destination
  - 2) ECCN
  - 3) License Type



# Latest News at BIS

Publication Date	Effective Date (if not date of publication)	End of Comment Period	Federal Register Citation	Title of Federal Register
4/14/2022	4/08/2022		87 FR	Expansion of Sanctions Against Russia and Belarus Under the Export Administration Regulations (EAR)
4/12/2022	4/08/2022		87 FR	Additions to the List of Countries Excluded from Certain License Requirements under the Export Administration Regulations (EAR)
4/11/2022			87 FR 21011	Addition of Certain Entities to the Entity List; Correction
4/07/2022	4/01/2022		87 FR 20295	Additions of Entities to the Entity List
3/16/2022	3/11/2022		87 FR 14785	Imposition of Sanctions on 'Luxury Goods' Destined for Russia and Belarus and for Russian and Belarusian Oligarchs and Malign Actors Under the Export Administration Regulations (EAR)
3/10/2022	3/04/2022		87 FR 13627	Addition to the List of Countries Excluded from Certain License Requirements under the Export Administration Regulations (EAR)
3/09/2022	3/03/2022		87 FR 13141	Further Imposition of Sanctions Against Russia with the Addition of Certain Entities to the Entity List
3/08/2022	3/03/2022		87 FR 12856	Expansion of Sanctions Against the Russian Industry Sector Under the Export Administration Regulations (EAR)
3/08/2022	3/02/2022		87 FR 13048	Imposition of Sanctions Against Belarus Under the Export Administration Regulations (EAR)
3/03/2022	2/24/2022		87 FR 12226	Implementation of Sanctions Against Russia Under the Export Administration Regulations (EAR)
2/14/2022			87 FR 8180	Addition of Certain Entities to the Entity List
2/10/2022		3/28/2022	87 FR 7777	Request for Public Comments on the Section 232 Exclusions Process
2/08/2022			87 FR 7037	Revisions to the Unverified List
2/03/2022			87 FR 6022	Foreign-Direct Product Rules: Organization, Clarification, and Correction
1/12/2022			87 FR 1670	Information Security Controls: Cybersecurity Items; Delay of Effective Date
1/6/2022			87 FR 729	Export Control Classification Number 0Y521 Series Supplement— Extension of Controls on an Emerging Technology (Software Specially Designed To Automate the Analysis of Geospatial Imagery Classification)





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