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Coalition Applauds Administration’s Efforts on Export Control Reform, Provides Additional Recommendations for Next Phase

Washington, D.C. – The Coalition for Security and Competitiveness (CSC), representing multiple U.S. industry stakeholders and trade associations, today sent a [letter](#) to President Obama applauding the Administration’s progress on its Export Control Reform (ECR) initiative. In its annual letter to the president, the Coalition also outlined recommendations for the next phase of efforts to continue reform of the outdated U.S. export control regime.

The Coalition’s short-term priorities include conclusion of the initial updates to the U.S. Munitions List (USML) and Commerce Control List (CCL) and the negotiation of new multilateral controls on intrusion and surveillance items. In that regard, the Coalition wrote: *“The CSC applauds the recent announcement of the Administration’s plans to seek a renegotiation of the Wassenaar Arrangement (WA) 2013 agreements on controls for cybersecurity items like intrusion software and network surveillance systems. As evidenced by the robust comments on the proposed rule issued last year by the Commerce Department to implement the agreements, there are complex technical and policy issues at hand. We stand ready to work with the Departments of State and Commerce as they craft a new proposal, and we encourage the Administration to engage in full consultation with representatives from industry and the security community.”*

The Coalition also outlined medium- and long-term objectives for future reforms of the U.S. export control system, including:

- Expedited procedures for exports of defense and security technology that support U.S. government, military, and intelligence interests abroad;
- Program licenses for commercial technologies;
- An effective and efficient intra-company transfer (ICT) license exception;
- Simplified, recalibrated encryption controls;
- Better cooperation between commercial innovators and the Defense Department; and
- A cooperative information-sharing program between the government and the exporting community.

Click [here](#) to read the full letter.

About the Coalition:

The Coalition for Security and Competitiveness was launched on March 6, 2007, when it provided President Bush with initial recommendations for enhancing U.S. security and competitiveness through modernization of the export control system. Formed by eight leading associations, the Coalition seeks to modernize the export control system so that America is prepared to meet the security and economic challenges of the 21st century.

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