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Commerce Secretary Receives Report and Recommendations From Deemed Export Advisory Committee Commerce Department to Review Findings

WASHINGTON - Secretary of Commerce Carlos M. Gutierrez today welcomed the final report of the Deemed Export Advisory Committee, a distinguished group of Americans commissioned by the Secretary in September 2006 to examine the complex issue of deemed exports. Deemed exports are the transfer of sensitive dual-use technology to foreign nationals working or studying in the United States.

"I appreciate the Committee's efforts to address how to effectively protect U.S. national security interests and preserve U.S. leadership in scientific and commercial technology innovation," said Secretary Gutierrez. "We intend to carefully review the Committee's findings as we move forward to strike the right balance of protecting national security while continuing to attract the world's best and brightest."

Advisory Committee Chairman Norman Augustine, retired Chairman & CEO of Lockheed Martin Corporation, delivered the report, entitled The Deemed Export Rule in the Era of Globalization. The Secretary has asked the Bureau of Industry and Security (BIS), the Commerce agency with jurisdiction over global dual-use policy to review the Committee's recommendations. The full text of the report can be found at: http://tac.bis.doc.gov/2007/deacreport.pdf

Background

In addition to Chairman Augustine, the DEAC members were Albert Carnesale, PhD, Former Chancellor of the University of California at Los Angeles; Ruth David, PhD, President & CEO, Analytic Services, Inc.; The Honorable John Engler, President, National Association of Manufacturers; Anthony Frank, PhD, Provost and Senior Vice President, Colorado State University; General John A. Gordon, Former Deputy Director, Central Intelligence Agency; Sean O'Keefe, Chancellor, Louisiana State University; Eva Pell, PhD, Senior Vice President and Dean of the Graduate School, Penn State University; Michael Splinter, CEO, Applied Materials; James Siedow, Vice Provost for Research and Professor of Biology, Duke University; William A. Wulf, PhD, President, National Academy of Engineering and Professor of Computer Science and University Professor, University of Virginia. Former Co-Chairman Dr. Robert Gates recused himself from the Committee following his appointment as Secretary of Defense.

About BIS

Under Secretary of Commerce for Industry and Security Mario Mancuso heads BIS, which promotes continued U.S. strategic technology leadership and helps to advance national security, foreign policy and economic objectives by ensuring an effective export control and treaty compliance system.

BIS is responsible for global dual-use trade policy, and leads multilateral and bilateral strategic trade dialogues for the U.S., including the U.S.-China High Technology and Strategic Trade Working Group and the U.S.-India

High Technology Cooperation Group, and maintains a bureau with offices throughout the United States and in China, India, Hong Kong, Russia, and the United Arab Emirates.