Licensing Category VIII UAVs and IMUs

Effective immediately, the Directorate of Defense Trade Controls is seeking assistance from the export community regarding the content of submissions for the export of USML Category VIII Unmanned Aerial Vehicles (UAVs) and Inertial Measurement Units (IMUs). For all such electronic license applications (DSP 5, 61, 73), please include the following statement as the first part of the purpose block:

- All Cat VIII(a, b, d, f, h, i) for Unmanned Vehicles - “UAV Related License”
- All Cat VIII(e) - “IMU Related License”

This change is necessary to ensure your license application is routed to the proper licensing division. Because the D-Trade 2 electronic application system makes the initial division assignment based on USML Category, these Cat VIII licenses are automatically assigned to the Aircraft Division. Due to Missile Technology Export Committee (MTEC) interest in reviewing all UAV and IMU licenses, the Director of Licensing assigned responsibility for these commodities to the Space and Missile Technology Division, which has a representative on the MTEC. The Directorate intends to institute an automated process for this assignment change on a future version of D-Trade 2. Until that time, industry assistance and cooperation is requested.

Any questions or concerns should be directed to Tony Dearth, Chief of Space and Missile Technology Division, deartham@state.gov.

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