# Asia Export Controls: Updates, Issues, and Prospects

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#### **Presentation Topics**\*

- Recent Developments In Asia Export Controls
- Issues For Consideration In Asia Export Controls
- Regional Examples (And Resources)
- Summary Observations
- Conclusion and Q+A

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## Recent Developments In Asia Export Controls (1)

#### Asia-Pacific

- Australia: incorporates comprehensive brokering controls into system
- Malaysia: commences Customs verification of export permits
- Philippines: working on strategic trade control bill
- Singapore: announces Advance Export Declaration (AED), to be become effective April 1, 2013
- <u>Taiwan</u>: issues new internal compliance program (ICP) guidance and implications

## Recent Developments In Asia Export Controls (2)

#### Eurasia

- Azerbaijan: introduces new *Icazeler* electronic permit system and new Customs Code with strengthened strategic trade enforcement provisions
- <u>Kazakhstan</u>: publishes draft resolution on end-user certificates and verification
- Russia: institutes more rigorous ICP auditing and certification procedures, and government outreach obligations

#### Southwest Asia

 Several countries working to introduce or enhance strategic trade control legislation

#### Asia-Pacific Export Control Landscape

- 10 countries and areas in Asia-Pacific (out of 24)\* currently have dual-use export control systems; of those:
  - All with some form of controls on transits and/or transshipments (most with exceptions and/or end-usebased)
  - 7 with controls on intangible transfers of technology (ITT) (at least 3 with some form of "deemed" export control)
  - 6 with controls on brokering dual-use items (3 end-usebased only)
  - 4 with special destination/diversion-risk control list-base licensing

<sup>\*</sup> Using one of several definitions of who and how many constitute "Asia-Pacific"

## <u>In Asia Export Controls</u>

- Differences in inter-regional export control systems and approaches and their potential impact on regional trade
- Multi-lateral export control regime adherence
- "Silk Road" and similar regional connectivity initiatives and their implications
- Extent of regional cooperation and coordination in the area of strategic trade enforcement

## <u>Issues For Consideration</u> <u>In Asia-Pacific Export Controls</u>

- Countries/areas at different stages of export control development
- Countries/areas with different control lists and item coding systems
- Implementation of "full-scope" export controls in the areas of brokering, transit/transshipment, and ITT control
- Export controls and free trade/special economic zones
- Incorporation of export controls into regional/subregional "Single Window" systems

### Asia-Pacific Examples (And Resources) (1)

Korea, Ministry of Knowledge Economy (MKE) "Catch-All" List



Source: Korea MKE "Yestrade" website, <a href="http://www.yestrade.go.kr/portl/html/eng/sub02/s02\_4.jsp">http://www.yestrade.go.kr/portl/html/eng/sub02/s02\_4.jsp</a>

### Asia-Pacific Examples (And Resources) (2)

#### Taiwan's Bureau of Foreign Trade (BOFT) "Red Flags"

- 1. Overseas traders who are named on the international export control list or those named specifically by the competent authorities.
- 2. Overseas traders or agents who are not willing to provide the end-use or end-users of the commodities, or traders with virtually no business background.
- 3. Product functions and specifications are not consistent with business demands of overseas traders or technological standards of the importing countries.
- 4. Selling prices, trade terms or payments that are not consistent with international trade norms.
- 5. Overseas traders who are not familiar with product functions, but insist on buying the said commodities, or overseas traders who refuse routine installation, training or follow-up maintenance services.
- 6. Without justification the dates of transportation and destination are uncertain, the end-consignee for the forwarder or the consignee and place have been suddenly changed.
- 7. Without justification the packing methods, shipping routes or labels of commodities are suspicious.

### <u>Asia-Pacific Examples (And Resources) (3)</u>

 Thailand Department of Foreign Trade (DFT) "Dual-Use Goods" website



Source: Thailand DFT website, <a href="http://www.dft.go.th/Default.aspx?tabid=75">http://www.dft.go.th/Default.aspx?tabid=75</a>

#### <u>Asia-Pacific Examples (And Resources) (4)</u>

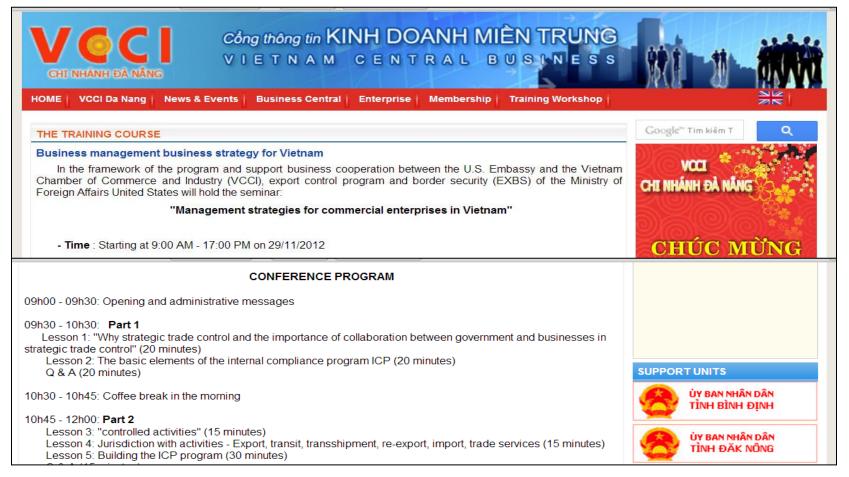
China Ministry of Commerce (MOFCOM) Regional Export Control
 Officer Contact Information



Source: China MOFCOM website,

#### <u>Asia-Pacific Examples (And Resources) (5)</u>

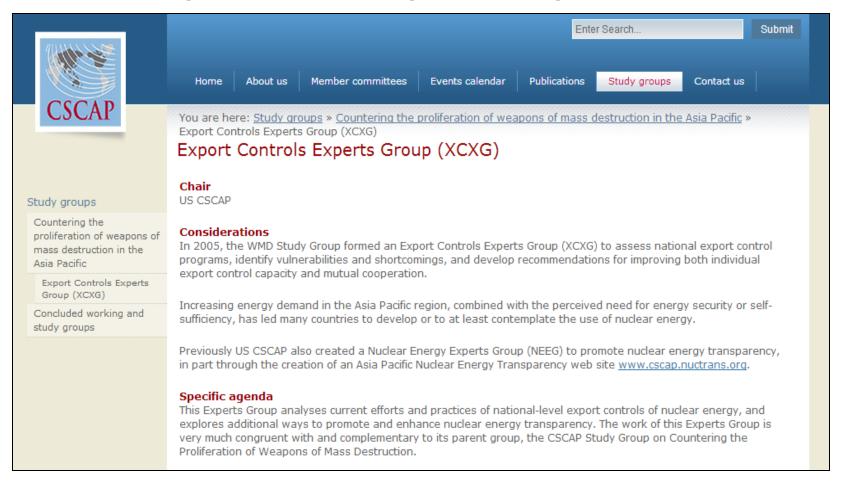
 Vietnam Chamber of Commerce and Industry (VCCI), Strategic Trade Control Compliance Workshop



Source: VCCI website, <a href="http://www.vccidanang.com.vn/63-51-1105/Quan-ly-thuong-mai-chien-luoc-cho-doanh-.aspx">http://www.vccidanang.com.vn/63-51-1105/Quan-ly-thuong-mai-chien-luoc-cho-doanh-.aspx</a>

#### <u>Asia-Pacific Examples (And Resources) (6)</u>

CSCAP Export Controls Experts Group (XCXG)



Source: CSCAP website, <a href="http://www.cscap.org/index.php?page=export-controls-experts-group-xcxg">http://www.cscap.org/index.php?page=export-controls-experts-group-xcxg</a>

#### **Summary Observations**

- Several important developments and signs of continued progress in Asia (and Asia-Pacific) export controls
- Until more countries institute some form of export controls, export control "inequality gap" in the region may continue to widen, as may its implications
- Among countries and areas with export control systems, even greater intra- and inter-regional parity in terms of control lists and types worth considering
- Many solid examples of "best practices" in the region that could serve as models (or even resources) for others
- Maximizing existing regional/sub-regional institutions and strengthening (or creating) new ones → from ASEAN to the CSCAP XCXG to formal expert networks

#### Conclusion And Q+A

Thank you for your time and attention!

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