

The Strategic Trade Management Act in the Philippine Economy

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Strategic Trade Management Act (R.A.10697)

- Signed into law on November 13, 2015
- Not yet in full implementation pending the issuance of the Implementing Rules and Regulations
- Intends to regulate export, import, re-export, transit, transshipment and reassignment
- Will regulate strategic goods listed in the EU Military Goods and Dual-Use Goods List

The Philippine Economy

- Agricultural Base
- Relatively Low Manufacturing
- Currently Focused on Services
- Consumer Market

STMA Justifications: Security

- Non-Proliferation
- Anti-Terrorism
- International & Regional Stability
- International Relations
- Anti-Crime

*** Justification used for Legislators**

STMA Justifications: Trade

- Increased Direct Trade
- Investments
- Technology Transfer
- High Technology with Value Added Items

*** Justification used for the government**

Expected Outcome

- Increased High Value Added Technology on Trade and Investments
- Increased Direct Trade of strategic goods
- Increased capacities because of technology transfers
- Increase activity in the manufacturing and production sectors

Challenges

- Timing of the implementation of the Act (Political transition period in the country)
- Establishment of the STMO
- Budgeting of initial activities (government and industry outreach)
- Establishment of a robust IT Infrastructure

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