

## APPENDIX 7

At the December 7, 2011, public meeting, COAC voted and approved the following nine (9) recommendations from the Intellectual Property Rights subcommittee:

1. Outline an IPR Partnership Program modeled on or as an adjunct to C-TPAT.
2. Explore the idea of a distribution chain management serialization concept (a code or key passed through the supply chain as a way of validating authenticity).
3. Allow legitimate importers to voluntarily transmit IPR data to CBP in the cargo release data set (perhaps in a pilot program).
4. Establish a robust database for use by CBP and ATS, to be used for determining authenticity and improving targeting.
5. Explore use of ISF-type data for improved targeting pre-arrival.
6. Continue to use currently available methods and work with rights holders to identify product and package elements that can be shared without violating the Trade Secrets Act.
7. Explore use of port-level microscopy analysis.
8. Coordinate all CBP efforts and initiatives in the area of IPR with other government agencies.
9. CBP should implement these recommendations as quickly as possible, in order to forestall implementations of potentially onerous regulations currently under discussion.