

2025 Current Fiscal Year Report: Defense Trade Advisory Group

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1. Department or Agency		2. Fiscal Year	
Department of State		2025	
3. Committee or Subcommittee		3b. GSA Committee No.	
Defense Trade Advisory Group		665	
4. Is this New During Fiscal Year?	5. Current Charter	6. Expected Renewal Date	7. Expected Term Date
No	04/06/2024	04/06/2026	
8a. Was Terminated During FiscalYear?		8b. Specific Termination Authority	8c. Actual Term Date
No		22 U.S.C. 2656	
9. Agency Recommendation for Next FiscalYear		10a. Legislation Req to Terminate?	10b. Legislation Pending?
Continue		Not Applicable	Not Applicable
11. Establishment Authority Agency Authority			
12. Specific Establishment Authority	13. Effective Date	14. Committee Type	14c. Presidential?
22 U.S.C. 2656	07/27/1992	Continuing	No
15. Description of Committee Other Committee			
16a. Total Number of Reports		No Reports for this FiscalYear	
17a. Open	0	17b. Closed	0
		17c. Partially Closed	0
		Other Activities	0
17d. Total	0		

Meetings and Dates

No Meetings

	Current FY	Next FY
18a(1). Personnel Pmts to Non-Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18a(2). Personnel Pmts to Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00

18a(3). Personnel Pmts to Federal Staff	\$0.00	\$0.00
18a(4). Personnel Pmts to Non-Member Consultants	\$0.00	\$0.00
18b(1). Travel and Per Diem to Non-Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18b(2). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18b(3). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Staff	\$0.00	\$0.00
18b(4). Travel and Per Diem to Non-member Consultants	\$0.00	\$0.00
18c. Other(rents,user charges, graphics, printing, mail, etc.)	\$0.00	\$0.00
18d. Total	\$0.00	\$0.00
19. Federal Staff Support Years (FTE)	0.00	0.00

20a. How does the Committee accomplish its purpose?

The DTAG provides the Department, through studies and in consultations, specific recommendations on issues affecting exports of defense goods and services. These recommendations command the attention of key policymakers on defense trade issues, including Political-Military Affairs Bureau principals and the Under Secretary for Arms Control and International Security Affairs. U.S. defense firms are directly affected by the Department's decisions on trade policies and new innovations and revisions to the licensing procedures. Through DTAG, defense trade specialists provide the Department with their views on how to clarify policies and streamline licensing procedures.

20b. How does the Committee balance its membership?

DTAG members are private sector defense trade

specialists from U.S. defense companies, trade associations, law firms, policy institutions, and academia.

20c. How frequent and relevant are the Committee Meetings?

DTAG meetings are called by the DFO following a request by the Chairman. There will be at least one meeting per fiscal year. DTAG provides insight and recommendations relevant to a variety of defense trade topics including technical data under the ITAR, Export Control Reform, treaty exemptions, common carrier definitions, and controlled unclassified information.

20d. Why can't the advice or information this committee provides be obtained elsewhere?

DTAG is the only advisory committee which allows the Department to benefit from the advice of private sector defense trade specialists on how better to carry out the Department's statutory obligations under the Arms Export Control Act.

20e. Why is it necessary to close and/or partially closed committee meetings?

Although DTAG plenary meetings have traditionally been open; however, there may be circumstances where the Committee would potentially hold a closed or partially closed meeting when committee members are addressing topics and issues that affect security which directly with the Department. However, the sanitized findings of these potential closed meetings are always discussed and presented during the open plenary meetings, open to the public.

21. Remarks

Regarding the annual committee meeting, in FY24

The Defense Trade Advisory Group (DTAG) met in open session from 1:00 p.m. until 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, October 12, 2023. This hybrid meeting was held in person at 1777 F Street NW, Washington, DC, with the option to attend virtually via Zoom. The virtual forum will open at 12:15 p.m. The membership of this advisory committee consists of private sector defense trade representatives, appointed by the Assistant Secretary of State for Political-Military Affairs, who advise the Department on policies, regulations, and technical issues affecting defense trade. After the meetings the minutes will be certified and posted on the PM/DDTC website.

Designated Federal Officer

Paula C Harrison Designated Federal Official

Committee Members	Start	End	Occupation	Member Designation
Albertson, Jessa	05/04/2022	04/26/2026	Consultant	Representative Member
Assusa, Maria	04/26/2024	04/26/2026	Consultant	Representative Member
Avallone, Michelle	05/04/2022	04/26/2026	Director of Export Controls	Representative Member
Barlett, James	05/04/2022	04/26/2026	Principal	Representative Member
Beran, Mary	05/04/2022	04/26/2026	Director	Representative Member
Bittner, Bryce	05/04/2022	04/26/2026	Associate General Counsel	Representative Member
Bolin, Nathaniel	05/04/2022	04/26/2026	Independent Contractor	Representative Member
Booth, Andrew	05/04/2022	04/26/2026	Director	Representative Member
Calhoun, Byron	05/04/2022	04/26/2026	Independent Contractor	Representative Member
Casazza, Steven	05/04/2022	04/26/2026	Independent Contractor	Representative Member
Chavez, Monica	05/04/2022	04/26/2026	Head Director	Representative Member
Cinelli, Giovanna	05/04/2022	04/26/2026	Practice Lead	Representative Member
Conrad, Iris	05/04/2022	04/26/2026	Independent Contractor	Representative Member

Creeser, Gregory	05/04/2022	04/26/2026	Senior Consulting Partner	Representative Member
Cross, Sandra	05/04/2022	04/26/2026	Corporate Director	Representative Member
Del-Cerro, Jana	04/26/2024	04/26/2026	Consultant	Representative Member
Doll, Hillary	05/04/2022	04/26/2026	V/President Global Trade Program	Representative Member
Donovan, Thomas	05/04/2022	04/26/2026	Director Global Trade Management	Representative Member
Dudley, Patricia	05/04/2022	04/26/2026	Independent Contractor	Representative Member
Farhat, Ashley	05/04/2022	04/26/2026	Auditor of Internal Processes	Representative Member
Fink, Lawrence	05/04/2022	04/26/2026	Senior Asst General Counsel	Representative Member
Fishman, Jarred	04/26/2024	04/26/2026	Consultant	Representative Member
Fujiu, Melanie	05/04/2022	04/26/2026	Senior Manager	Representative Member
Goforth, Candace	05/04/2022	04/26/2026	Managing Director	Representative Member
Greenless, David	04/26/2024	04/26/2026	Consultant	Representative Member
Hardwick, Derek	05/04/2022	04/26/2026	Independent Contractor	Representative Member
Helvey, Krista	04/26/2024	04/26/2026	Manager	Representative Member
Hill, Gregory	05/04/2022	04/26/2026	Independent Contractor	Representative Member
Kraus, Laura	05/04/2022	04/26/2026	Dir Trade & Governmental Compliance	Representative Member
McAllister, Andrew	05/04/2022	04/26/2026	Independent Contractor	Representative Member
Merrell, William	05/04/2022	04/26/2026	V/P for Strategic Trade	Representative Member
Miller, Michael	05/04/2022	04/26/2026	Dir Export Controls	Representative Member
Mitchell, Alexis	05/04/2022	04/26/2026	Dir Export Operations	Representative Member
Moyer, Joseph	04/26/2024	04/26/2026	Manager	Representative Member
Mulla, Fran Marie	05/04/2022	04/26/2026	Director A&D Group	Representative Member
Nicacio, Brenda	05/04/2022	04/26/2026	Global Trade Compliance Officer	Representative Member

Pantschyschak, Michael	05/04/2022	04/26/2026	L3Harris Technologies, Inc.	Representative Member
Reeves, Johanna	05/04/2022	04/26/2026	Attorney at Law	Representative Member
Rice, Renata	04/26/2024	04/26/2026	Manager	Representative Member
Riley, Darren	05/04/2022	04/26/2026	Independent Contractor	Representative Member
Sammon, Jeffrey	05/04/2022	04/26/2026	Independent Contractor	Representative Member
Sanchez, Jessica	04/26/2024	04/26/2026	Manager	Representative Member
Shulman, Arthur	05/04/2022	04/26/2026	Senior Director International Trade Compliance	Representative Member
Torres, Olga	05/04/2022	04/26/2026	Independent Contractor	Representative Member
Zielinski, Alison	05/04/2022	04/26/2026	Trade Compliance Manager	Representative Member

Number of Committee Members Listed: 45

Narrative Description

The Directorate of Defense Trade Controls (DDTC), in accordance with 22 U.S.C. 2778-2780 of the Arms Export Control Act (AECA) and the International Traffic in Arms Regulations (ITAR) (22 CFR Parts 120-130), is charged with controlling the export and temporary import of defense articles and defense services covered by the United States Munitions List (USML). The Defense Trade Advisory Group (DTAG) provides a formal channel for regular consultation and coordination with U.S. private sector defense exporters and defense trade specialists on issues involving U.S. laws, policies, and regulations for munitions exports. The DTAG advises the Department on its support for and regulation of defense trade to help ensure that impediments to legitimate exports are reduced while the foreign policy and national security interests of the United States continue to be protected and advanced.

What are the most significant program outcomes associated with this committee?

Checked if
Applies

Improvements to health or safety	<input type="checkbox"/>
Trust in government	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Major policy changes	<input type="checkbox"/>
Advance in scientific research	<input type="checkbox"/>
Effective grant making	<input type="checkbox"/>
Improved service delivery	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Increased customer satisfaction	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Implementation of laws or regulatory requirements	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Outcome Comments

NA

What are the cost savings associated with this committee?

Checked if Applies

None	<input type="checkbox"/>
Unable to Determine	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Under \$100,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
\$100,000 - \$500,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
\$500,001 - \$1,000,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
\$1,000,001 - \$5,000,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
\$5,000,001 - \$10,000,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
Over \$10,000,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
Cost Savings Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Cost Savings Comments

NA

What is the approximate Number of recommendations produced by this committee for the life of the committee?

166

Number of Recommendations Comments

The purpose of the meeting was to discuss current defense trade issues and topics for further study. The Directorate of Defense Trade Controls (DDTC) asked the DTAG to complete the following taskings, which will be discussed and presented: (1) to review parts 123, 124, sections of part 125 related to classified defense articles, and relevant text

of DDTC Guidelines for Preparing Agreements and report recommendations on ways to better organize and consolidate ITAR licensing requirements and processes, with specific attention to efforts to standardize structure and language, such that sections describing different types of re-delivery and delivery activities in support of foreign military sales (FMS), DCS post-delivery support and sustainment of FMS articles, challenges faced by non-U.S. entities/customers, other inefficiencies and/or redundancies, as well as recommendations for improvement; and (3) assess and provide recommendations on improvements that could be made to the process and associated guidance for name/address changes and other administrative changes resulting from companies' internal business decisions, to improve efficiency and reduce registration and licensing burdens on industry.

What is the approximate Percentage of these recommendations that have been or will be Fully implemented by the agency?

10%

% of Recommendations Fully Implemented Comments

At this time, all proposals made by DTAG are under consideration. DDTC is implementing recommendations.

What is the approximate Percentage of these recommendations that have been or will be Partially implemented by the agency?

50%

% of Recommendations Partially Implemented Comments

At this time, all proposals are pending until recommendations have been provided.

Does the agency provide the committee with feedback regarding actions taken to implement recommendations or advice offered?

Yes ☒ No ☐ Not Applicable ☐

Agency Feedback Comments

Agency feedback is provided during the plenary meeting and/or via email to a committee chair member. This information is available for the public and can be obtained on the DDTC website in the minutes posted here upon completion:

https://deccspmddtc.servicenowservices.com/deccs?id=ddtc_kb_article_page&sys_id=1902fc7b

What other actions has the agency taken as a result of the committee's advice or recommendation?

Checked if Applies

Reorganized Priorities	<input type="checkbox"/>
Reallocated resources	<input type="checkbox"/>
Issued new regulation	<input type="checkbox"/>
Proposed legislation	<input type="checkbox"/>
Approved grants or other payments	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Action Comments

DTAG recommendations are typically incorporated into proposed rules and reform policies as appropriate. These recommendations contribute to improved service delivery of licenses via DECCS, such as publishing FAQs on DECCS, and the development of new products to help industry enhance compliance with AECA and ITAR, like Compliance Program Guidelines and Compliance Risk Matrix for industry and academia. Trust in Government is fostered through regular updates on policy, personnel, regulations, and other related matters from DDTC senior leadership, delivered in a keynote address before DTAG presents their task findings in plenary meetings.

Is the Committee engaged in the review of applications for grants?

No

Grant Review Comments

NA

How is access provided to the information for the Committee's documentation?

Checked if Applies

Contact DFO	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Online Agency Web Site	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Online Committee Web Site	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Online GSA FACA Web Site	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Publications	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Access Comments

N/A

