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To: MSU Research Community and International Traveling Personnel

From: J. Ian Gold, Vice President for Research and Graduate Studies

Subject: Export controls and trade sanctions compliance

Michigan State University is committed to the widest possible public dissemination of scientific learning, research results and particularly, the globalization of our campus outreach through our international study programs and departments. This mission is reflected in the formal policies of the university and in the operating procedures of its laboratories.

However, recent events and increased enforcement have raised awareness nationally of the importance of complying with U.S. export control regulations. It is important that MSU remain diligent and abide by these laws while continuing to fulfill its mission. My office (OVPRGS), along with the General Counsel Office and the Office of Contract & Grant Administration will help you remain in compliance. Inquiries regarding export controls and research-related trade sanctions should be directed to:

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The Office of Export Controls and Trade Sanction Compliance will announce when its new website is configured and will continue to monitor developments as they occur in the area of export controls and trade sanctions. As new information regarding export controls and trade sanctions becomes available, it will be added to the EC&TS’s web page and reported in the OVPRGS newsletter, Research News.

Remember: “MSU requires that you act responsibly in regards to Export Controls.”