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# OFFICE OF FOREIGN ASSETS CONTROL REPORT OF LICENSING ACTIVITIES PURSUANT TO THE TRADE SANCTIONS REFORM AND EXPORT ENHANCEMENT ACT OF 2000

## January - March 2017

This report is submitted pursuant to Section 906(b) of the Trade Sanctions Reform and Export Enhancement Act of 2000 (TSRA) and covers activities undertaken by the Department of the Treasury's Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC) under Section 906(a)(1) of the TSRA from January through March 2017. Under the procedures established in its TSRA-related regulations, OFAC processes license applications requesting authorization to export agricultural commodities, medicine, and medical devices to Iran and Sudan under the licensing regime set forth in Section 906 of the TSRA.

From January 1 through March 31, 2017, OFAC's Licensing Division received a total of 102 applications pursuant to Section 906(a)(1) of the TSRA. During this period, OFAC issued a total of 138 licensing determinations,<sup>1</sup> of which 51 were for cases received in this quarter. OFAC issued 8 licenses, 0 license amendments, 31 "return-without-action" letters, and 2 denial letters in this quarter.<sup>2</sup> Of the total licenses issued, 8 involved products for Iran and 0 for Sudan. For more details, see Charts 1-3 and Graph 1.

|                           | Agricultural<br>Commodities | Medicine | Medical<br>Devices | TOTAL |
|---------------------------|-----------------------------|----------|--------------------|-------|
| License Applications      | 23                          | 8        | 71                 | 102   |
| Licenses Issued           | 1                           | 4        | 3                  | 8     |
| License Amendments Issued | 0                           | 0        | 0                  | 0     |
| Applications Denied       | 1                           | 0        | 1                  | 2     |

## CHART 1 Number of License Applications and Licenses Issued by Product

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>A "licensing determination" is any action that OFAC takes on a license application. It may take the form of a license, a license amendment, a "return-without-action" letter, a general information letter, a general license guidance letter, an interpretive letter, a denial letter, or a close-out determination. <sup>2</sup> In addition to the licensing determinations reflected in Charts 1-3 and Graph 1, in this period OFAC issued 92

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> In addition to the licensing determinations reflected in Charts 1-3 and Graph 1, in this period OFAC issued 92 general license guidance letters in response to pending license applications, with an average processing time of 71 business days. These general license guidance letters provide information about certain general licenses that OFAC has issued, consistent with Section 906(a)(1) of the TSRA, authorizing certain exports of agricultural commodities, medicine, and medical devices to Iran and Sudan.

# CHART 2 Number of License Applications and Licenses Issued by Country

|                           | Iran | Sudan | TOTAL |
|---------------------------|------|-------|-------|
| License Applications      | 92   | 10    | 102   |
| Licenses Issued           | 8    | 0     | 8     |
| License Amendments Issued | 0    | 0     | 0     |
| Applications Denied       | 2    | 0     | 2     |

#### **CHART 3**

## Number of License Applications and Licenses Issued by Country and Product

|                           | Agricultural<br>Commodities | Medicine | Medical<br>Devices | TOTAL |
|---------------------------|-----------------------------|----------|--------------------|-------|
| IRAN                      |                             |          |                    |       |
| License Applications      | 20                          | 6        | 66                 | 92    |
| Licenses Issued           | 1                           | 4        | 3                  | 8     |
| License Amendments Issued | 0                           | 0        | 0                  | 0     |
| SUDAN                     |                             |          |                    |       |
| License Applications      | 3                           | 2        | 5                  | 10    |
| Licenses Issued           | 0                           | 0        | 0                  | 0     |
| License Amendments Issued | 0                           | 0        | 0                  | 0     |

# **GRAPH 1**

# Average Processing Time for Issuing Licensing Determinations (Business Days)

