

Technical Data Exports for Acquisitions, Teaming Arrangements, Mergers, Joint Ventures and Similar Arrangements

Q: Don't your other new licenses already cover this?

A: This authorization is specifically designed to facilitate the exchange of technical data between companies cooperating across national boundaries. It will cover a very broad range of data needed for companies to really go into detail when planning teaming arrangements, joint ventures, mergers, acquisitions or similar arrangements.

Q: Companies still have to get a license to discuss technical data. I don't see how this is different from what we've been doing.

A: Under this kind of authorization, well-known companies can determine the limit of the technical data involved in the blanket authorization. Rather than having to come back to the U.S. Government at each stage of involvement with a foreign company, the U.S. company can take care of its licensing needs in one fell swoop.

Q: How long does this authorization last?

A: The authorization is valid for the duration of the U.S. company's cooperation with the specified foreign company.

Q: Where can we find out additional information about this new form of authorization?

A: The Office of Defense Trade Controls will provide user-friendly guidelines on the use, construction and requirements for these arrangements.