



## **Commerce Eases Export Controls on Syria**

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**WASHINGTON, D.C.** — Today, the Department of Commerce’s Bureau of Industry and Security (BIS) published a rule easing licensing requirements for civilian exports to Syria.

The rule implements the policy on Syria established in Executive Order 14312, “Providing for the Revocation of Syria Sanctions” (June 30, 2025). EO 14312 declared the United States’ commitment to supporting a Syria that is stable, unified, and at peace with itself and its neighbors. EO 14312 called for the removal of sanctions on Syria, and it also issued waivers that allow for the relaxation of export controls on Syria.

As a result of today’s rule, U.S.-origin goods, software, and technology that have purely civilian uses (i.e., those classified under BIS’s regulations as “EAR99”), as well as consumer communications devices and certain items related to civil aviation, can generally go to Syria without an export license. In addition, today’s rule facilitates the approval of licenses for exports to Syria related to telecommunications infrastructure, sanitation, power generation, and civil aviation. All other applications for exports of dual-use items to Syria will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis. BIS will continue to restrict exports when the end-users of items are malign actors, including certain Syrian individuals and entities that remain subject to sanctions.

Jeffrey Kessler, Under Secretary of Commerce for Industry and Security, stated:

“Today’s actions follow through on the Trump Administration’s promise to allow a new start for the people of Syria as they seek a stable and prosperous future under their new government. At the same time, BIS will remain vigilant to prevent bad actors worldwide from accessing U.S. goods, software, and technology.”

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