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THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 428/2009 of 5 May 2009 setting up a Community regime for the control of exports, transfer, brokering and transit of dual use items[(1)] and in particular Article 15(3) thereof,

Whereas:

(1) Regulation (EC) No 428/2009 requires dual-use items to be subject to effective control when they are exported from or transit through the Union, or are delivered to a third country as a result of brokering services provided by a broker resident or established in the Union.

(2) Annex I to Regulation (EC) No 428/2009 establishes the common list of dual-use items that are subject to controls in the Union. Decisions on the items subject to controls are taken within the framework of the Australia Group, the Missile Technology Control Regime, the Nuclear Suppliers Group, the Wassenaar Arrangement and the Chemical Weapons Convention.

(3) The list of dual-use items set out in Annex I to Regulation (EC) No 428/2009 needs to be updated regularly so as to ensure full compliance with international security obligations, to guarantee transparency, and to maintain the competitiveness of exporters. The changes to the control lists adopted by the export control regimes in 2014 now require another amendment of Annex I of the Regulation (EC) No 428/2009. In order to facilitate references for export control authorities and operators, an updated and consolidated version of Annex I to Regulation (EC) No 428/2009 should be published.

(4) Annexes IIa to IIg to Regulation (EC) No 428/2009 establish Union General Export Authorisations.

(5) Annex IV to Regulation (EC) No 428/2009 establishes authorisation requirements for certain intra-Community transfers.

(6) The amendments to the EU control list in Annex I necessitate consequential amendments to Annexes IIa to IIg and Annex IV for dual-use items which are also listed in Annexes IIa to IIg and Annex IV.

(7) Regulation (EC) No 428/2009 empowers the Commission to update the list of dual-use items set out in Annex I as well as Annexes IIa to IIg and Annex IV by means of delegated acts, in conformity with the relevant obligations and commitments, and any modifications thereto, that Member States have accepted as members of the international non-proliferation regimes and export control arrangements, or by ratification of relevant international treaties.

(8) Regulation (EC) No 428/2009 should therefore be amended accordingly,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

Annex I, II and IV to Regulation (EC) No 428/2009 are amended as follows:

(1) Annex I is replaced by the text set out in Annex I to this Regulation.

(2) Annexes IIa to IIg are replaced by the text set out in Annex II to this Regulation.

(3) Annex IV is replaced by the text set out in Annex III to this Regulation.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on the day following that of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

***Changes to legislation:** There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2015/2420. (See end of Document for details)*

ANNEX I

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List referred to in Article 3 of this Regulation

LIST OF DUAL-USE ITEMS

This list implements internationally agreed dual-use controls including the Wassenaar Arrangement, the Missile Technology Control Regime (MTCR), the Nuclear Suppliers' Group (NSG), the Australia Group and the Chemical Weapons Convention (CWC).

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GENERAL NOTES TO ANNEX I

1. For control of goods which are designed or modified for military use, see the relevant list(s) of controls on military goods maintained by individual Member States. References in this Annex that state "SEE ALSO MILITARY GOODS CONTROLS" refer to the same lists.

2. The object of the controls contained in this Annex should not be defeated by the export of any non-controlled goods (including plant) containing one or more controlled components when the controlled component or components are the principal element of the goods and can feasibly be removed or used for other purposes.

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N.B.: In judging whether the controlled component or components are to be considered the principal element, it is necessary to weigh the factors of quantity, value and technological know-how involved and other special circumstances which might establish the controlled component or components as the principal element of the goods being procured.

3. Goods specified in this Annex include both new and used goods.

4. In some instances chemicals are listed by name and CAS number. The list applies to chemicals of the same structural formula (including hydrates) regardless of name or CAS number. CAS numbers are shown to assist in identifying a particular chemical or mixture, irrespective of nomenclature. CAS numbers cannot be used as unique identifiers because some forms of the listed chemical have different CAS numbers, and mixtures containing a listed chemical may also have different CAS numbers.

NUCLEAR TECHNOLOGY NOTE (NTN)

(To be read in conjunction with section E of Category 0.)

The "technology" directly associated with any goods controlled in Category 0 is controlled according to the provisions of Category 0.

"Technology" for the "development", "production" or "use" of goods under control remains under control even when applicable to non-controlled goods.

The approval of goods for export also authorizes the export to the same end-user of the minimum "technology" required for the installation, operation, maintenance and repair of the goods.

Controls on "technology" transfer do not apply to information "in the public domain" or to "basic scientific research".

GENERAL TECHNOLOGY NOTE (GTN)

(To be read in conjunction with section E of Categories 1 to 9.)

The export of "technology" which is "required" for the "development", "production" or "use" of goods controlled in Categories 1 to 9, is controlled according to the provisions of Categories 1 to 9.

"Technology" "required" for the "development", "production" or "use" of goods under control remains under control even when applicable to non-controlled goods.

Controls do not apply to that "technology" which is the minimum necessary for the installation, operation, maintenance (checking) or repair of those goods which are not controlled or whose export has been authorised.

N.B.: This does not release such "technolog"y specified in 1E002.e., 1E002.f., 8E002.a. and 8E002.b.

Controls on "technology" transfer do not apply to information "in the public domain", to "basic scientific research" or to the minimum necessary information for patent applications.

GENERAL SOFTWARE NOTE (GSN)

(This note overrides any control within section D of Categories 0 to 9.)

Categories 0 to 9 of this list do not control "software" which is any of the following:

a. Generally available to the public by being:

1. Sold from stock at retail selling points, without restriction, by means of:

a. Over-the-counter transactions;

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b. Mail order transactions;

c. Electronic transactions; or

d. Telephone call transactions; and

2. Designed for installation by the user without further substantial support by the supplier;

N.B.: Entry a. of the General Software Note does not release "softwar"e specified in Category 5 - Part 2 ("Information Securit"y).

b. "In the public domain"; or

c. The minimum necessary "object code" for the installation, operation, maintenance (checking) or repair of those items whose export has been authorised.

N.B.: Entry c. of the General Software Note does not release "softwar"e specified in Category 5 - Part 2 ("Information Securit"y).

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ACRONYMS AND ABBREVIATIONS USED IN THIS ANNEX

An acronym or abbreviation, when used as a defined term, will be found in 'Definitions of Terms used in this Annex'.

Acronym or meaning abbreviation	
ABEC	Annular Bearing Engineers Committee
AGMA	American Gear Manufacturers' Association
AHRS	attitude and heading reference systems
AISI	American Iron and Steel Institute
ALU	arithmetic logic unit
ANSI	American National Standards Institute
ASTM	the American Society for Testing and Materials
ATC	air traffic control
AVLIS	atomic vapour laser isotope separation
CAD	computer-aided-design
CAS	Chemical Abstracts Service
CDU	control and display unit
CEP	circular error probable