

in existence at the date of the transactions, or to the substantive or artistic alteration or enhancement of informational materials, or to the provision of marketing and business consulting services. Such prohibited transactions include, but are not limited to, payment of advances for information or informational materials not yet created and completed (with the exception of prepaid subscriptions for widely-circulated magazines and other periodical publications); provision of services to market, produce or co-produce, create, or assist in the creation of information or informational materials; and, with respect to information or informational materials imported from persons whose property or interests in property are blocked pursuant to § 537.201(a), payment of royalties with respect to income received for enhancements or alterations made by U.S. persons to such information or informational materials.

(3) This section does not exempt from regulation or authorize transactions incident to the exportation of software subject to the Export Administration Regulations, 15 CFR parts 730-774, or to the exportation of goods, technology or software, or to the provision, sale, or leasing of capacity on telecommunications transmission facilities (such as satellite or terrestrial network connectivity) for use in the transmission of any data. The exportation of such items or services and the provision, sale, or leasing of such capacity or facilities to a person whose property or interests in property are blocked pursuant to § 537.201(a) are prohibited.

(c) *Pre-1997 contracts.* The prohibitions contained in this part, other than those set forth in § 537.203, do not apply to any activity undertaken pursuant to an agreement, or pursuant to the exercise of rights under such an agreement, that was entered into by a U.S. person with the Government of Burma or a non-governmental entity in Burma prior to 12:01 a.m. eastern daylight time on May 21, 1997.

(d) *Travel exemption.* The prohibitions contained in this part, other than the prohibition against the importation into the United States of products of Burma set forth in § 537.203, do not apply to transactions ordinarily inci-

dent to travel to or from any country, including exportation or importation of accompanied baggage (other than importation of baggage that comes within the prohibition set forth in § 537.203) for personal use, maintenance within any country, including payment of living expenses and acquisition of goods or services for personal use, and arrangement or facilitation of such travel, including nonscheduled air, sea, or land voyages.

NOTE TO § 537.211: See the authorizations relating to the importation of certain personal and household effects set forth in §§ 537.511 and 537.514.

Subpart C—General Definitions

§ 537.301 Blocked account; blocked property.

The terms *blocked account* and *blocked property* shall mean any account or property subject to the prohibitions in § 537.201 held in the name of a person whose property or interests in property are blocked pursuant to § 537.201(a), or in which such person has an interest, and with respect to which payments, transfers, exportations, withdrawals, or other dealings may not be made or effected except pursuant to an authorization or license from the Office of Foreign Assets Control expressly authorizing such action.

§ 537.302 Economic development of resources located in Burma.

(a) The term *economic development of resources located in Burma* means activities pursuant to a contract the subject of which includes responsibility for the development or exploitation of resources located in Burma, including making or attempting to make those resources accessible or available for exploitation or economic use. The term shall not be construed to include not-for-profit educational, health, or other humanitarian programs or activities.

(b) *Examples:* The economic development of resources located in Burma includes a contract conferring rights to explore for, develop, extract, or refine petroleum, natural gas, or minerals in the ground in Burma; or a contract to assume control of a mining operation in Burma, acquire a forest or agricultural area for commercial use of the

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timber or other crops, or acquire land for the construction and operation of a hotel or factory.

§ 537.303 Effective date.

The term *effective date* refers to the effective date of the applicable prohibitions and directives contained in this part as follows:

(a) With respect to prohibited transfers or other dealings in blocked property or interests in property of persons listed in the Annex to Executive Order 13310 of July 28, 2003 (68 FR 44853, July 30, 2003), 12:01 a.m. eastern daylight time, July 29, 2003;

(b) With respect to prohibited transfers or other dealings in blocked property or interests in property of persons designated pursuant to § 537.201(a)(2), the earlier of the date on which either actual notice or constructive notice is received of such person's designation;

(c) With respect to the exportation or reexportation of financial services to Burma prohibited by § 537.202, 12:01 a.m. eastern daylight time, July 29, 2003;

(d) With respect to the importation into the United States of products of Burma prohibited by § 537.203, 12:01 a.m. eastern daylight time, August 28, 2003;

(e) With respect to new investment prohibited by § 537.204, 12:01 a.m. eastern daylight time, May 21, 1997.

§ 537.304 Entity.

The term *entity* means a partnership, association, trust, joint venture, corporation, group, subgroup, or other organization.

§ 537.305 Exportation or reexportation of financial services to Burma.

The term *exportation or reexportation of financial services to Burma* means:

(a) The transfer of funds, directly or indirectly, from the United States or by a U.S. person, wherever located, to Burma; or

(b) The provision, directly or indirectly, to persons in Burma of insurance services, investment or brokerage services (including but not limited to brokering or trading services regarding securities, debt, commodities, options or foreign exchange), banking services, money remittance services; loans, guarantees, letters of credit or other extensions of credit; or the service of

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selling or redeeming traveler's checks, money orders and stored value.

NOTE TO § 537.305: This defined term has not appeared in other parts of 31 CFR chapter V and is specifically tailored to further the goals of the sanctions prohibitions set forth in this part.

§ 537.306 Foreign person.

The term *foreign person* means any person that is not a U.S. person.

§ 537.307 Government of Burma.

The term *Government of Burma* means the Government of Burma (sometimes referred to as Myanmar), its agencies, instrumentalities and controlled entities, and the Central Bank of Burma.

§ 537.308 Information or informational materials.

(a) For purposes of this part, the term *information or informational materials* includes, but is not limited to, publications, films, posters, phonograph records, photographs, microfilms, microfiche, tapes, compact disks, CD ROMs, artworks, and news wire feeds.

NOTE TO PARAGRAPH (a) OF § 537.307: To be considered information or informational materials, artworks must be classified under chapter heading 9701, 9702, or 9703 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States.

(b) The term *information or informational materials*, with respect to United States exports, does not include items:

(1) That were, as of April 30, 1994, or that thereafter become, controlled for export pursuant to section 5 of the Export Administration Act of 1979, 50 U.S.C. App. 2401–2420 (1979) (the “EAA”), or section 6 of the EAA to the extent that such controls promote the nonproliferation or antiterrorism policies of the United States; or

(2) With respect to which acts are prohibited by 18 U.S.C. chapter 37.

§ 537.309 Interest.

Except as otherwise provided in this part, the term *interest* when used with respect to property (e.g., “an interest in property”) means an interest of any nature whatsoever, direct or indirect.