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Assistant Secretaries Thea D. Rozman Kendler and Matthew S. Axelrod to Travel to Singapore

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WASHINGTON, D.C.—Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Export Administration Thea D. Rozman Kendler and Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Export Enforcement Matthew S. Axelrod will travel to Singapore from September 12 through September 16.

The Assistant Secretaries will engage in bilateral dialogues with counterparts from countries in Asia and Europe. They will discuss export controls, including emerging technologies, enforcement best practices, and the response to Russia's brutal attack on Ukraine.

In addition, Assistant Secretaries Kendler and Axelrod will participate in several events coorganized by the United States, Singapore, and Japan. Assistant Secretary Kendler and BIS colleagues will speak at the 10th Joint Industry Outreach Seminar on Strategic Trade Management from September 12-13. This event brings together senior government officials from 13 countries, the United Nations and the European Union, exporters, academics, and other stakeholders to share best practices and discuss updates to export control laws and regulations.

Assistant Secretary Kendler will deliver the keynote address at the inaugural Women in Strategic Trade (WiST) Conference on September 14. This event provides an opportunity to collaborate internationally on increased opportunities for women in export controls. She will promote the meaningful participation of women in counterproliferation, consistent with Women, Peace, and Security Strategy goals.

From September 14-16, Assistant Secretaries Kendler and Axelrod will participate in the Southeast Asian Forum on Export Controls, where Assistant Secretary Axelrod will deliver the keynote address on the importance of partnerships and building collective capacity for effective administration and enforcement of export controls.

Finally, the Assistant Secretaries will participate in private sector engagements to better understand the impact of export controls on multinational companies in the region.

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