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COMTECH XICOM RESOLVES ALLEGATIONS OF UNLICENSED EXPORTS TO THE U.A.E., BRAZIL AND RUSSIA

Today, Kevin J. Kurland, performing the non-exclusive duties of the Assistant Secretary for Export Enforcement, the U.S. Department of Commerce's Bureau of Industry & Security (BIS), announced an administrative settlement of \$122,000 with Comtech Xicom, located in Santa Clara, CA. The investigation was conducted by the San Jose Field Office of BIS's Office of Export Enforcement (OEE).

"The national security of the United States is, and will always be, the top priority for the Bureau of Industry and Security's Office of Export Enforcement," said Kurland. "Today's enforcement action sends a clear and strong message that export compliance matters and will be enforced. Individuals and companies that violate the Export Administration Regulations can be criminally prosecuted, administratively fined, or both."

This settlement resolves BIS's allegations that on three occasions between December of 2015 and March of 2017, Comtech Xicom engaged in conduct prohibited by the Export Administration Regulations ("EAR") when they exported Traveling Wave Tubes controlled for National Security reasons to Russia, the United Arab Emirates, and Brazil without the required export licenses.

"This Administrative enforcement action demonstrates Export Enforcement's commitment to combating violations of export laws and regulations," said Special Agent in Charge John D. Masters of OEE's San Jose, CA Field Office. "The Office of Export Enforcement will continue applying the investigative resources and authorities necessary, including the imposition of administrative penalties, to protect and promote U.S. national security, foreign policy, and economic interests."

BIS's mission is to advance U.S. national security and foreign policy objectives by ensuring an effective export control and treaty compliance system and promoting continued U.S. strategic technology leadership. Among its enforcement efforts, BIS is committed to preventing U.S.-origin items from supporting Weapons of Mass Destruction (WMD) projects, terrorist activities, or destabilizing military modernization programs. For more information, please visit www.bis.doc.gov.