From: Berkeley International Office (BIO)

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Re: New Export Compliance Certification Required for H-1B Petitions

Dear Colleagues,

On February 20, 2011, the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Service (USCIS) will add an additional export compliance attestation that will affect all H-1B and O-1 petitions sponsored by the University of California, Berkeley. This attestation requires employers to confirm that they have reviewed the U.S. export control regulations and have determined whether a license is required to release controlled technology or technical data to the sponsored worker.

The attached certification must be completed by the Principal Investigator or Employee Supervisor before initiating the H-1B request. The completed certification must be included in BIO's list of H-1B supporting documents. If the PI or supervisor is unable to complete the certification form or requires more information about the export control requirements, he or she should contact the campus Research Administration and Compliance Office (RAC). A RAC representative will assist the PI or supervisor in completing the necessary export control compliance documents. All future H-1B requests must include a signed copy of the export control certification form.

For questions on completing the certification form, please contact Patrick Schlesinger (510-642-2866 or pschlesinger@berkeley.edu) or Jyl Baldwin (510-642-8110 or jbaldwin@berkeley.edu) at RAC.

For all H-1B-related questions, please do not hesitate to contact me directly at 510 643 4370, minakalra@berkeley.edu.

We appreciate your patience and cooperation as we adjust to this new H-1B process.

Best regards,

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