Export Controls regime – Purpose Statement

The purpose of Aotearoa New Zealand's Export Controls regime is to regulate the export of goods which may be intended for use that could, directly or indirectly, be to the detriment of Aotearoa New Zealand's security or national interests, or contribute to human rights abuse or the contravention of international humanitarian law. These comprise strategic goods; and also certain other goods intended for export to military and police end-users.

In achieving this purpose, the Export Controls regime fulfils Aotearoa New Zealand's domestic and international obligations, commitments and policies in relation to controlling the export of these goods, as well as giving effect to our commitment to being a responsible exporter of such goods.

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