Information Concerning Travel to Sudan and Prohibited Activities

The following information applies when a person is traveling to Sudan as part of their studies, research or other official duties at the University of Florida.

- 1. A license is not required to travel to Sudan.
- 2. However Section 538.201 of the Sudanese Sanction Regulations states that except as authorized by the issuance of a license or order the property of the government of Sudan and of persons acting on behalf of the government (and of persons connected to the conflict in Darfur per Executive Order) is blocked. OFAC has issued guidance that pursuant to an Executive Order the regional government of the Southern Sudan is excluded from the definition of the government of Sudan. The names of persons whose property is blocked is published on OFAC's web site.
- 3. Additionally Section 538.205 states that except as authorized by the issuance of a license the exporting of **goods, technology and services** to Sudan by a US person is prohibited. A US person is defined as a US citizen, permanent resident or protected individual.
- 4. Section 538.211 provides an exemption from the general prohibition in 538.205 for information and information materials that are **fully created and in existence at the time of the transaction.** The terms **information and information materials** is defined in 538.306 to include publications, films, posters, phonograph records, photographs, microfilm, microfiche, tapes, compact discs, CD ROMs, artwork and news wire feeds.
- 5. Section 538.211 provides an exemption for postal, telegraphic, telephonic, or other personal communication that does not involve the transfer of anything of value.
- 6. Section 538.211 provides an exemption for the taking of accompanied baggage for personal use incident to travel, which may not include a laptop or cell phone.
- 7. Section 538.529 provides an exemption for activities related to the publishing of manuscripts or journals including collaborating on publications. It does not allow the production or design of software, or technology controlled by ITAR or EAR.
- 8. As a general rule all financial dealings with Sudan are prohibited. An exception is allowed for agricultural commodities, medicine and humanitarian aid.