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(i) The goods are of small value, and
(ii) There is no reason to believe that there is, or has been since the applicable effective date, any direct or indirect financial or commercial benefit to North Korea, North Viet-Nam, Cambodia, or South Viet-Nam or nationals thereof from the importation.

[41 FR 16555, Apr. 20, 1976]

§ 500.556 Joint bank accounts.

Specific licenses are issued unblocking a portion of or all of a blocked joint bank account where a non-blocked applicant claims beneficial ownership, as follows:

(a) Joint bank account, without survivorship provisions. Specific licenses are issued unblocking only that amount with respect to which the applicant is able to prove beneficial ownership by documentary evidence independent of his assertions of interest.

(b) Joint bank account, with survivorship provision. Specific licenses are issued unblocking an amount equivalent to that portion of the total amount to which the applicant would be entitled if the total were divided evenly among the persons in whose names the account is held (e.g. 50 percent where there are two names; 33⅓ percent where there are three names). Such licenses are issued on the basis of applicant’s assertions of beneficial ownership interest without the requirement of independent evidence.

[40 FR 7650, Feb. 21, 1975]

§ 500.557 Proceeds of insurance policies.

(a) Specific licenses are issued authorizing payment of the proceeds of blocked life insurance policies issued on the life of a North Korean, North Vietnamese, Cambodian, or South Vietnamese national, who died in one of those countries after the applicable effective date to certain beneficiaries licensed as unblocked nationals pursuant to §500.555, as follows:

(1) The applicant is a permanent resident of the United States or the authorized trade territory and is not a specially designated national; and

(2) No interest on the part of a designated national not licensed as an unblocked national exists in that portion of the funds to which the applicant is entitled.

(b) Applications for specific licenses under this section must include all of the following information:

(1) Proof of permanent residence in the United States or the authorized trade territory, to be established by the submission of documentation issued by relevant government authorities that must include at least two of the following documents:

(i) Passport;

(ii) Voter registration card;

(iii) Permanent resident alien card; or

(iv) National identity card.

Other documents tending to show residency, such as income tax returns, may also be submitted in support of government documentation, but will not suffice in and of themselves; and

(2) Proof of entitlement under the insurance policy to be established by a copy of the policy and an affidavit from an appropriate officer of a recognized insurance company acknowledging the legitimacy of the beneficiary’s claim and the amount of the payment.

(c) Any document provided pursuant to this section that is not written in the English language must be accompanied by a translation into English, as well as a certification by the translator that he is not an interested party to the proceeding, is qualified to make the translation, and has made an accurate translation of the document in question.

[54 FR 5232, Feb. 2, 1989]

§ 500.558 Accounts of blocked partnerships.

Specific licenses are issued unblocking partnerships established under the laws of North Korea, North Viet-Nam, Cambodia, or South Viet-Nam, as follows:

(a) Where all of the general partners and limited partners, if any, have emigrated from North Korea, North Viet-Nam, Cambodia, or South Viet-Nam and have established residence in the United States or in a country in the authorized trade territory, specific licenses are issued unblocking the assets of the partnership after deducting the total debt due creditors wherever located.
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(b) Where one or more partners, whether general or limited, is in North Korea, North Viet-Nam, Cambodia, or South Viet-Nam (or elsewhere but still blocked), specific licenses are issued unblocking only the net pro rata shares of those partners who are resident in the United States or in a country in the authorized trade territory after deducting the total debt due creditors wherever located.

(c) The issuance of licenses is conditioned on the applicant furnishing the following information:

1. Detailed information as to the status of all debts and other obligations of the blocked partnership, specifying the citizenship and residence of each creditor as of the applicable effective date, and as of the date of the application;

2. The current status of the blocked partnership e.g., liquidated, nationalized, inoperative, etc.;

3. A detailed description of all the partnership’s assets, wherever located;

4. A list of all partners, indicating whether they are general, limited, etc. and giving their citizenship and residence as of the applicable effective date and as of the date of filing of the application.


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Bank accounts of official representatives of foreign governments in North Korea, North Viet-Nam, Cambodia, or South Viet-Nam.

Specific licenses are issued authorizing payments from accounts of official representatives of foreign governments in North Korea, North Viet-Nam, Cambodia, or South Viet-Nam for transactions which are not inconsistent with the purposes of any of the regulations in this chapter.


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Transfers of abandoned property under State laws.

(a) Except as stated in paragraphs (b) and (c) of this section, specific licenses are not issued authorizing the transfer of blocked property to State agencies under State laws governing abandoned property.

(b) Specific licenses are issued authorizing the transfer of blocked property, pursuant to the laws of the State governing abandoned property, to the appropriate State agency. Provided, that the State’s laws are custodial in nature, i.e., there is no permanent transfer of beneficial interest to the State. Licenses require the property to be held by the State in accounts which are identified as blocked under the regulations. A separate index of these blocked assets is required to be maintained by the State agency. The requirements of this section for identification and separate indexing of blocked assets apply to all blocked assets held by State agencies and any licenses issued prior to the effective date of this section hereby are amended by the incorporation of such requirements.

(c) To be eligible for a specific license under this section, the state agency must demonstrate that it has the statutory authority under appropriate state law to comply with the requirements of § 500.205. Such a showing shall include an opinion of the State Attorney General that such statutory authority exists.

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