**Prohibited Initiatives – UPPS No. 01.04.47**

**Executive Order No. GA-48 Issue No. 1**

**Effective Date: 07/17/2025**

**Next Review Date: 07/01/2030 (E5Y)**

**Sr. Reviewer: Associate Vice President for Institutional Compliance and Chief Compliance Officer**

**POLICY STATEMENT**

*Texas State University complies with State of Texas prohibitions relating to Order No. GA-48.*

**01. PURPOSE**

* 1. Texas State University implements this policy to safeguard state information resources and United States’ (U.S) developed technologies against intellectual property theft and other uses adverse to U.S. national security by foreign adversary countries or governments.

**02. SCOPE**

02.01 This policy applies to all Texas State University employees.

**03. DEFINITION**

03.01 Foreign Adversary – a country or government on the U.S. Department of Commerce’s foreign adversaries list under [15 C.F.R. § 791.4](https://www.ecfr.gov/current/title-15/subtitle-B/chapter-VII/subchapter-E/part-791/subpart-A/section-791.4). As of the effective date of this policy, foreign adversaries include the People’s Republic of China, including the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (China); the Republic of Cuba (Cuba); the Islamic Republic of Iran (Iran); the Democratic People’s Republic of Korea (North Korea); the Russian Federation (Russia); and Venezuelan politician Nicolás Maduro (Maduro Regime).

**04. PROHIBITION OF GIFTS AND PARTICIPATION IN FOREIGN TALENT RECRUITMENT PROGRAMS**

04.01 Texas State employees are prohibited from accepting any gift, regardless

of value, from an entity associated with a foreign adversary country or government. Gifts include, but are not limited to, grants or funds provided for research or travel.

04.02 Texas State employees are prohibited from taking part in talent recruitment programs sponsored by a foreign adversary country (e.g., China’s Thousand Talents Program).

04.03 Any person may report being approached by groups representing foreign adversary countries or governments that offer gifts or travel or a suspected violation of this policy by a Texas State University employee to the [TSUS Fraud Reporting hotline](https://www.tsus.edu/offices/internal-audit/report-fraud.html).

**05.** **PROHIBITION ON PROFESSIONAL TRAVEL TO FOREIGN ADVERSARY COUNTRIES**

05.01 Texas State employees are prohibited from traveling to foreign adversary countries for professional purposes.

**06.** **PERSONAL TRAVEL TO FOREIGN ADVERSARY COUNTRIES**

06.01 Employees traveling to foreign adversary countries for personal reasons must submit a [Foreign Travel Disclosure form](https://www.txst.edu/gao/ap/travel/forms.html) to the Travel Department prior to their departure.

1. Employees returning from travel to a foreign adversary country must complete the return portion of the [Foreign Travel Disclosure form](https://www.txst.edu/gao/ap/travel/forms.html) within 10 days of returning to work.
2. Employees may not bring university-issued devices, non-public university information in any form, or personal devices containing university information, including devices containing passwords or access to university information resources, to a foreign adversary country.

06.02 Employees may not log into or access any Texas State information resources while traveling in a foreign adversary country.

06.03 Employees may not provide access to non-public university information, including research conducted at or sponsored by Texas State or other U.S.-based entities, to any person or entity while traveling in a foreign adversary country.

06.04 Employees must immediately report to Texas State any intentional or inadvertent disclosure of non-public university information or sensitive or proprietary technologies associated with the employee’s work for Texas State, to a person or entity associated with a foreign adversary country or government.

**07. REVIEWERS OF THIS UPPS**

07.01 Reviewer of this UPPS includes the following:

Position Date

Associate Vice President for June 1 E5Y

Institutional Compliance and Chief

Compliance Officer

**08. CERTIFICATION STATEMENT**

This UPPS has been approved by the following individuals in their official capacities and represents Texas State policy and procedure from the date of this document until superseded.

Associate Vice President for Institutional Compliance and Chief Compliance Officer; senior reviewer of this UPPS

Vice President and Chief of Staff

President