



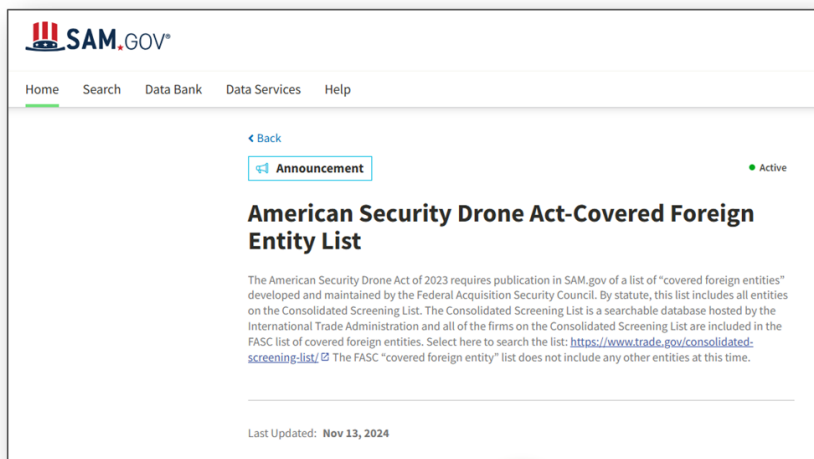
EQUITABLE SHARING WIRE

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Impact on Using Federal Equitable Sharing Funds for Certain Drones

The National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2024 includes the American Security Drone Act of 2023 (ASDA). See: [Pub. L. 118-31, Title XVIII, Subtitle B \(Sections 1821 to 1833\)](#). ASDA contains a prohibition on the use of federal funds to purchase, operate, or repair drones which are manufactured or assembled by a *covered foreign entity*. The list of *covered foreign entities* is maintained by the Federal Acquisition Security Council and is found on the System for Award Management (www.SAM.gov) website.

Effective December 22, 2025, through December 22, 2028, Equitable Sharing Program participants cannot use federal equitable sharing funds to purchase, operate, or repair a drone that is manufactured or assembled by a covered foreign entity. Prior to purchasing, operating, or repairing a drone, participants must consult the list of covered foreign entities at [American Security Drone Act-Covered Foreign Entity List | SAM.gov](#) to ensure the vendor is not listed as a covered foreign entity. This list is subject to change at any time and must be consulted prior to every applicable purchase. Agencies should retain documentation of their verification check in their records. Any questions regarding the permissibility of the purchase should be directed to your agency's legal counsel.



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Department of Justice Equitable Sharing Program
www.justice.gov/criminal-mlars/equitable-sharing-program

Treasury Executive Office for Asset Forfeiture

<https://home.treasury.gov/policy-issues/terrorism-and-illicit-finance/asset-forfeiture/equitable-sharing>