

# U.S. Embargo on Sudan Permanently Lifted, But Some Restrictions Remain

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Today the [State Department announced](#) that the U.S. would permanently lift the embargo on Sudan effective October 12, 2017. The decision comes 10 months after President Obama lifted the embargo on an interim basis pending [further cooperation by Sudan](#) on various human rights and combating terrorism.

Despite the lifting of the embargo, items on [the Commerce Control List](#) (the U.S. list of dual use items) will still require a license to be exported or reexported to Sudan. As noted in a new [General License issued by the Office of Foreign Assets Control](#), certain restrictions apply to the sale of agricultural commodities, medicine, and medical devices to Sudan.