

Office of the Vice Chancellor for Research and Graduate Education

UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-MADISON

MEMORANDUM

Date: March 2, 2021

To: Deans and Directors, UW-Madison

From: Steven A. Ackerman, Vice Chancellor for Research and Graduate Education

Re: Interactions with Huawei and ZTE, and their subsidiaries and affiliates

In 2019, significant security concerns were raised by U.S. federal agencies regarding the practices of certain foreign companies, such as Huawei and ZTE, and their subsidiaries and affiliates. This memo serves as a reminder that National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA) Section 889 prohibits certain telecommunications devices and video surveillance services and equipment from restricted companies.

Based on these concerns, the University does not allow any new sponsored research projects, other contracts or agreements, purchases, or gifts from Huawei or ZTE or their subsidiaries or affiliates. This prohibition will remain in effect until further notice. Please remind your faculty and administrative staff of this restriction.

In addition to Huawei Technologies Company and ZTE Corporation, the 2019 NDAA restricts interactions with other companies and their subsidiaries and affiliates as well. Those companies are:

- Hytera Communications Corporation
- Hangzhou Hikvision Digital Technology Company
- Dahua Technology Company

The Department of Defense has the authority to add additional companies to this list as it deems necessary. Also, many of these primary companies, subsidiaries and affiliates have been placed on the Department of Commerce's Entity List.

Questions regarding Huawei, ZTE or their subsidiaries and affiliates may be directed to Research and Sponsored Programs or the Export Control Office.