# NVIDIA's board committee on national security and export controls: what it covers

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Short answer: on 17 November 2026 NVIDIA announced that its Board of Directors established a National Security and Export Control Oversight Committee, a standing committee for board-level oversight of national security policies, export-control compliance and global trade risk. The company's National Security Team and Global Trade Compliance Team will report to the committee. It matters for the tech market because export controls on advanced chips shape which customers and regions a supplier can serve.

**TL;DR The short version**

- On 17 November 2026 NVIDIA's board set up a standing National Security and Export Control Oversight Committee.
- NVIDIA's National Security and Global Trade Compliance teams will report to it, and it will retain independent experts.
- A governance announcement is not evidence of outcomes; buyers should ask suppliers how export rules affect delivery to their regions.

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## What is the committee?

According to NVIDIA's release, it is a new standing board committee. It will be chaired by director Suzanne Nora Johnson with directors Stephen C. Neal and John O. Dabiri as members, and will meet at least quarterly, including with management and in executive session.

## How it works

- **Reporting lines.** NVIDIA's existing National Security Team and Global Trade Compliance Team report directly to the committee, and to management on day-to-day operations.
- **Outside expertise.** The committee will retain independent third-party experts in law, national security and global trade compliance.
- **Scope.** National security policies, export-control compliance and global trade risk management, plus oversight of efforts to strengthen the two internal teams.

## Why it matters for the tech market

Export-control rules determine which advanced computing products can be sold where, so compliance is a revenue-relevant function for chip suppliers and their cloud customers. A board-level committee signals that the company treats it as a governance topic. The release itself says the company wants to work with government and industry on a framework.

## What the release does not say

- It gives no numbers on revenue affected by export rules.
- It does not describe any specific regulation, licence or enforcement matter.
- It does not say what the committee will change in practice. I make no inference beyond the text.

## Limitations and open questions

- A governance announcement is not evidence of outcomes.
- The effect on product availability or regional sales is unknown from this release.
- For the legal rules themselves, read the US Bureau of Industry and Security and other official sources. Sources were read on 25 November 2026. Products, rules and standards change, so check the linked originals before you rely on any detail.

## How buyers and analysts can use this

1. Read the company’s next annual and quarterly filings for risk-factor language on export controls.
2. Ask your hardware and cloud suppliers how export rules affect delivery to your regions.
3. Track official rule changes, which matter more than company announcements.
4. Build alternatives into capacity plans if supply to a region could change.

## What it means for IT and procurement leaders

For companies buying accelerators or cloud capacity across borders, supplier governance is a due-diligence item. It does not change the rules, but it shows where compliance questions will be directed. See NVIDIA’s supply chain commitments and SIA on permitting reform.

## Frequently asked questions

- **What did NVIDIA announce?** A new board committee for national security and export-control oversight, announced 17 November 2026.
- **Who chairs it?** Director Suzanne Nora Johnson.
- **How often does it meet?** At least quarterly.
- **Does it change export rules?** No. Export rules are set by governments.

## Related reading

- NVIDIA supply chain commitments
- SIA on permitting reform and chip fabs
- Certified Technical Practitioner

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### Sources and further reading


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