

3 Sources Needed for Your C-TPAT Country Risk Assessment

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This evaluation, also known as a threat assessment, is necessary for C-TPAT partners because it allocates the risks associated with the country your business would be purchasing from. However, researching information on business prospect countries may be overwhelming. Where should you start? What information should you search for? How would you make sure the information you are receiving is legitimate? The following paragraphs offer three sources that are reputable enough to yield information that will help to perform a C-TPAT country threat assessment.

U.S. Department of State

The Department of State's site provides <u>"Trafficking in Persons Reports"</u>, so that users can research troublesome areas in specific countries. For example, you could use the "Country Narratives" [PDF]

section to research the status of human trafficking in China. It is noteworthy to understand the State Department, along with other reputable sources, may be unable to provide more recent information due to political instability within certain countries.

The United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC)

UNODC provides information on the global issues of illicit drugs, crime, and terrorism. The UNODC website design, domain, and credentials have historically proven to be reliable since 1997. Imagine, once again, you are researching the risk factor of human rights compliance in China. UNODC provides <u>reports</u> on human trafficking specific to countries. The site displays the information on China through pie charts and other graphs.

For example, the pie chart above illustrates statistics about Chinese victims of human trafficking as reported by Thai authorities.

Reuters

As one of the world's largest international multimedia news agencies, <u>Reuters</u> is an excellent source for country specific information related to many topics, including human rights compliance.

A search for "human rights compliance and China" returns 272 results. The most recent result was posted just five days before the search.

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