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**Homeland Security Operations Morning Brief  
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3. ~~(U//FOUO)~~ **TEXAS/FLORIDA: Attempted Export of Missile System.** According to BTS reporting, on 2 March, Dallas ICE executed a federal search warrant for the residence of a named U.S. Citizen. In concert with that enforcement action, Ft. Pierce ICE executed a search warrant for the business premises of a named U.S. Company, located in Stuart, FL. Agents seized numerous boxes of evidence. These enforcement actions were initiated after a separate investigation by another Federal agency uncovered information concerning International Traffic in Arms (ITAR) violations. Subsequent investigation revealed that the named U.S. Company had purchased a missile target acquisition system from another named U.S. Company that they shipped to the named U.S. Citizen. The U.S. Citizen then attempted to export the item, which

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