

Inter-Agency Cooperation and Coordination: Pakistan's Perspective

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Introduction

In the 20th Century, the advent of airplanes, submarines, ballistic missiles and weapons of mass destruction began to undermine this approach to security — by making borders increasingly porous and by enabling the remote delivery of destruction on a scale previously not envisioned

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Scheme

- **Interagency Cooperation - why needed ?**
- **Pillars of Effective Export Control System**
- **SECDIV: Organization**
- **SECDIV: Interagency Cooperation**
- **Licensing Process**
- **Making Interagency Cooperation more effective**
- **Challenges**
- **Current Priorities**

Interagency Cooperation – why needed ?

- **Cooperation: To work or act together toward a common end or purpose**

(American Heritage Dictionary)

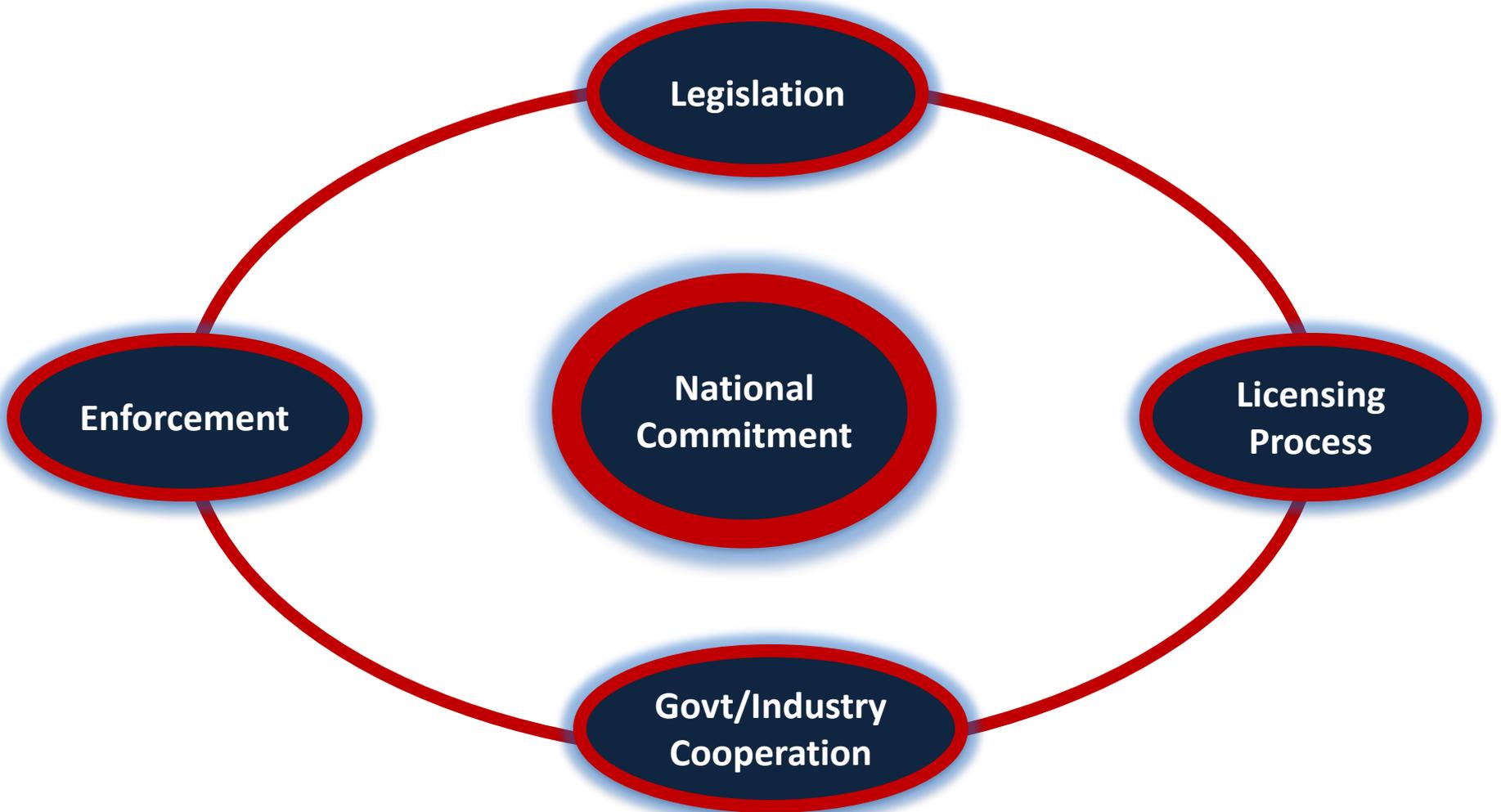
- **An arrangement between two or more agencies or stakeholders to meet common objectives while maintaining their separate mandates and responsibilities**
- **Interagency cooperation is needed to cater for systemic loop-holes**

Interagency Cooperation – why needed ? (cont)

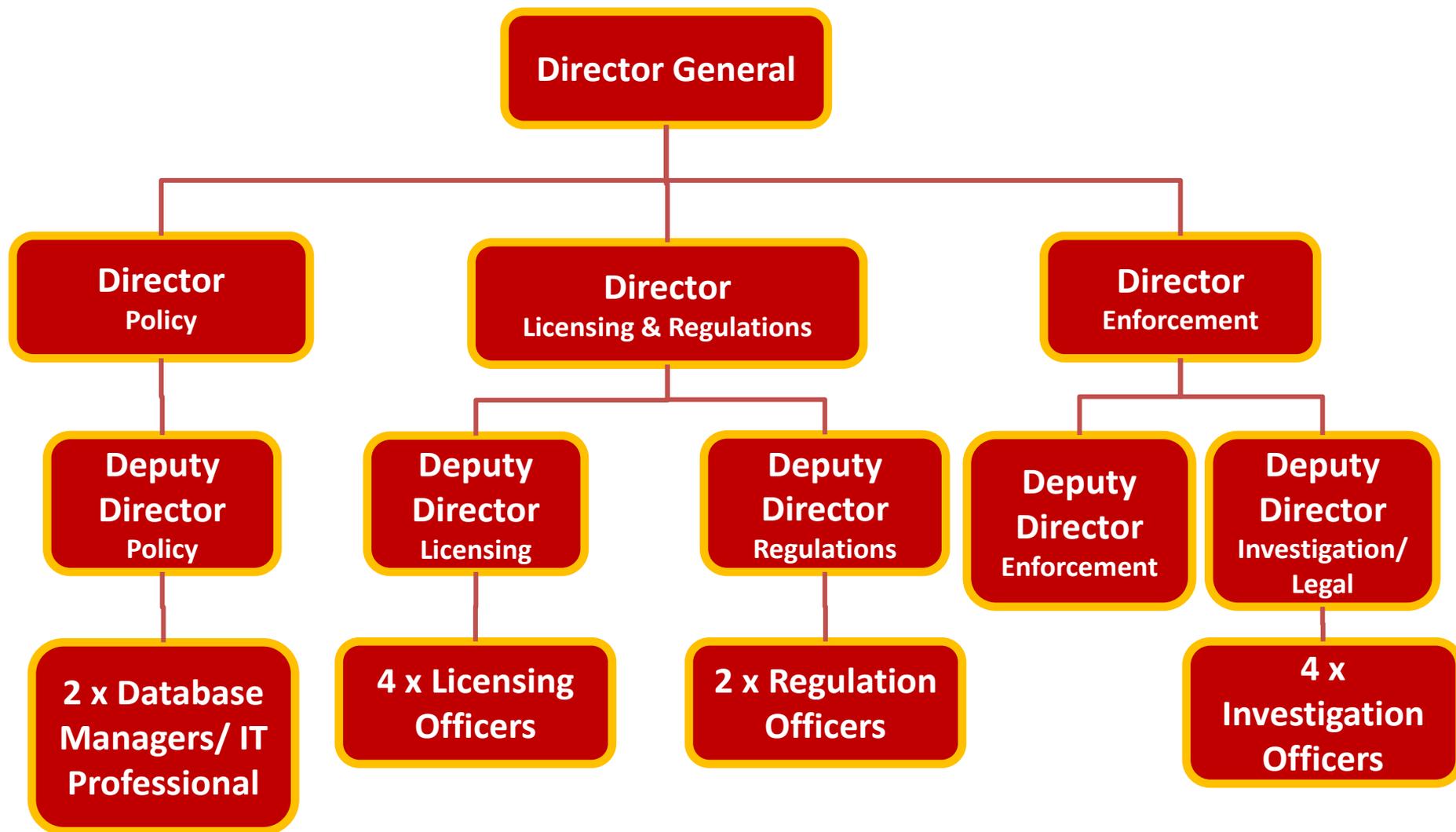
- **Services are generally administered by separate agencies and each one has own priorities and interests**
- **Cooperation would assist in achieving common objectives**
- **Coordination leads to better cooperation**

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DO IT ALONE**

Pillars of Effective Export Control System



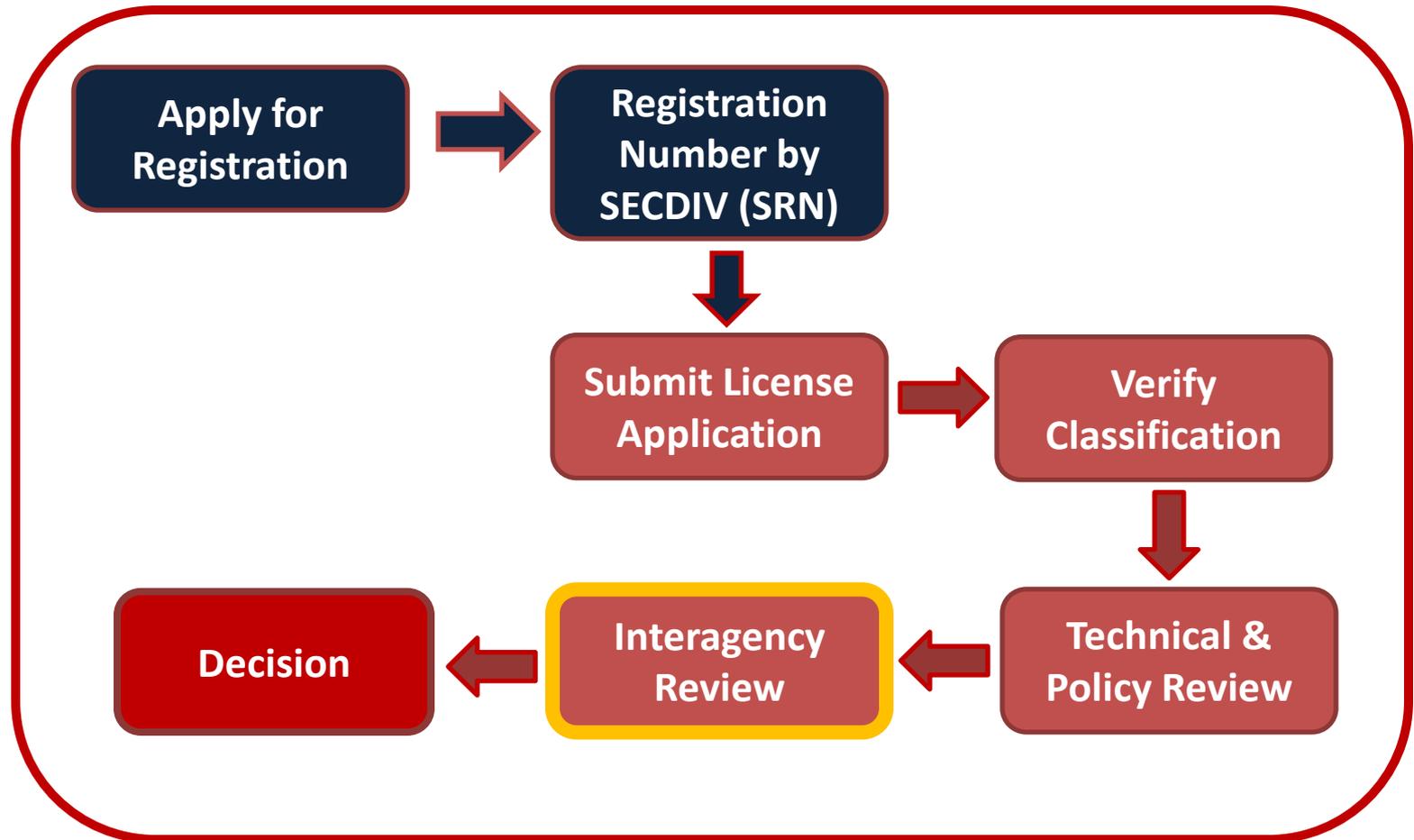
SECDIV: Organization



SECDIV: Interagency Cooperation



SECDIV: Licensing Process



Interagency Linkages/Coordination



Making Interagency Cooperation More Effective

- **Inter-connectivity between/among organizations**
- **Regular meetings of stakeholders**
- **Outreach & awareness as a regular feature**
- **Easy access to relevant information**
- **Designated focal person (who should be consulted)**
- **Automated Licensing System**

Challenges

- **Interagency overlapping (Shared responsibilities)**
- **Transforming manual licensing system to automated Licensing System**
- **Frequent shifting/rotation of the licensing officers (This requires constant outreach and awareness, on job training, planned rotation - to keep incumbent at the same level of information)**

Current Priorities

- **Deployment of RPMs on all entry/exit points through out the country**
- **Coordination/consultation for resolving overlapping (shared responsibilities should not create gaps)**
- **Strategic Commodities Identification Training**
- **Awareness on ICP**

Conclusion

- **Today's proliferation threat is more diverse**
- **Over the past few years many measures taken to further strengthen regulatory controls over sensitive goods and technologies**
- **Cooperation (nationally & internationally) – essential for effective export controls & preventing proliferation**
- **A comprehensive strategy that encompasses domestic, bilateral, regional, and international measures is essential to enhance cooperative threat reduction under the appropriate safeguards regime while promoting peaceful uses of nuclear energy**