

**Commercial Customs Operations Advisory
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Group
Draft Recommendations**

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1. COAC recommends that the CTPAT Portal be updated to include the email of the requestor when an SVI monitoring request is sent to a CTPAT member. This allows the member to contact the requestor to understand the nature of their inquiry, prior to approving the request.
2. COAC recommends that the Trade Partnership and Engagement Working Group undertake a review of the CTPAT Minimum Security Criteria (MSC) established in 2020. This review will determine efficacy and impact of the MSCs, four years post implementation. This review will also provide an opportunity to make identified changes and improvements that will assist program implementation and maintenance among CTPAT partners.
3. COAC recommends that the CTPAT Trade Compliance handbook and requirements be documented in the same manner as the CTPAT Security Minimum Security Criteria. The requirements should be categorized, numbered and enhanced with implementation guidance to help CTPAT Trade Compliance members create more robust programs within their firms.
4. COAC recommends that on time CTPAT Trade Compliance Annual Notification Letter (ANL) submissions, via the CTPAT Portal, should receive automatic approval in the portal if CBP has not signed off by 90 days before the next ANL date. This will allow CTPAT Trade Compliance members sufficient time to create and submit their next ANL without the risk of being late.