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TOPIC ---

Are there any import/export problems with AOCE technology?

DISCUSSION --

Apple has received the necessary licenses from the United States government
to export AOCE technology. However, there are problems with importing AOCE
technology into France and its colonies and territories. The French
government puts many restrictions on importing of software which does any
kind of encryption. Since PowerShare does encryption with ASDSP, Apple
will not be able to import AOCE products with encryption into France.

As a result of this restriction, Apple will be shipping an encryption-free
version (PowerTalk Lite) in France. This version will not support ASDSP or
authentication.

PowerShare Catalogs must either all support encryption or all not support
encryption. If only one PowerShare Catalog Server in an PowerShare Catalog
does not support encryption, then there will be no ASDSP or authentication
services available.

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