How does CBP enforce 19 U.S.C. 1307?

CBP implements 19 U.S.C. 1307 through issuance of Withhold Release Orders (WRO) and findings to prevent merchandise produced in whole or in part in a foreign country using forced labor from being imported into the U.S.

**Withhold Release Orders**

When CBP determines reasonable suspicion, the agency may issue a WRO.

- CBP may detain merchandise subject to a WRO
- Within three months of importation, importers may export
- Importers may submit evidence showing merchandise was not produced using forced labor
- CBP will release merchandise if determined admissible or merchandise will be excluded from entry

**Findings**

When CBP determines probable cause, the agency will publish a formal finding in the *Customs Bulletin* and the *Federal Register*.

- Merchandise under a finding is subject to seizure and forfeiture
- Upon importation, merchandise may be detained pending admissibility determination or seized
- Importers may not export
- Importers may submit evidence showing merchandise was not produced using forced labor

For additional information and a complete list of WROs and findings, please visit: [https://www.cbp.gov/trade/programs-administration/forced-labor](https://www.cbp.gov/trade/programs-administration/forced-labor)