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In this article, Jenner & Block Partner Rachel Alpert and Associate Alyssa Bernstein share their unique insight on sanctions and export controls applicable to the humanitarian aid efforts in Syria.

After describing “the physical and political barriers to getting foreign aid into Syria immediately after the earthquake,” they propose “a path forward to remove export control obstacles” to the delivery of humanitarian aid in Syria.

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