

Washington deprived Taiwanese company TSMC the right to simplified supplies of American equipment for the production of microchips to its Chinese plant. Similar solutions previously touched South Korean manufacturers SK Hynix and Samsung.

Up to this point, all three companies were exceptions to the current restrictions on technology export to China. Now, starting from December 31, sending chip equipment to the Nankinsky TSMC plant will be possible only upon receipt of special US licenses.

At the enterprise in Nanjing, microcircuits of 16-nm technology process and other chips of not the most advanced level are produced. According to reporting over the past year, the share of this site amounted to about 2.4% of the total revenue of the corporation.

TSMC said she assesses the situation and negotiates with the American authorities to ensure the stable work of the Chinese unit. The Taiwan Ministry of Economics also confirmed the intention to communicate with the company and the US government.

The American Ministry of Trade explained that it would approve of licenses to continue the operation of existing industries in China, but will prohibit the expansion of capacities and introduce more modern technologies.