



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
Under Secretary for Industry and Security
Washington, D.C. 20230

February 22, 2010

The Honorable Christopher J. Dodd
Chairman, Committee on
Banking, Housing and Urban Affairs
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Mr. Chairman:

I hereby report to the Congress the export licensing actions taken by the Department of Commerce's Bureau of Industry and Security (BIS) relating to exports of agricultural commodities to Cuba during October through December 2009. Section 906(b) of the Trade Sanctions Reform and Export Enhancement Act of 2000 (TSRA) (Title IX of Pub.L. 106-387), as amended, requires this report.

During the reporting period, BIS processed 39 notifications under License Exception Agricultural Commodities (AGR) for exports to Cuba. Of these, we approved 35 notifications in an average of 5 days. In addition, we returned without action 4 notifications in an average of 2 days due to errors and deficiencies.

Additionally, BIS processed 6 standard export license applications for exports of TSRA-eligible commodities to Cuba during the reporting period. Of these, we approved 3 applications in an average of 19 days. BIS returned without action the remaining 3 applications in an average of 4 days to allow the applicants to resubmit the applications as AGR notifications. BIS did not deny any applications for exports of TSRA-eligible commodities to Cuba during the reporting period. Enclosed is a chart illustrating these licensing actions.

Sincerely yours,

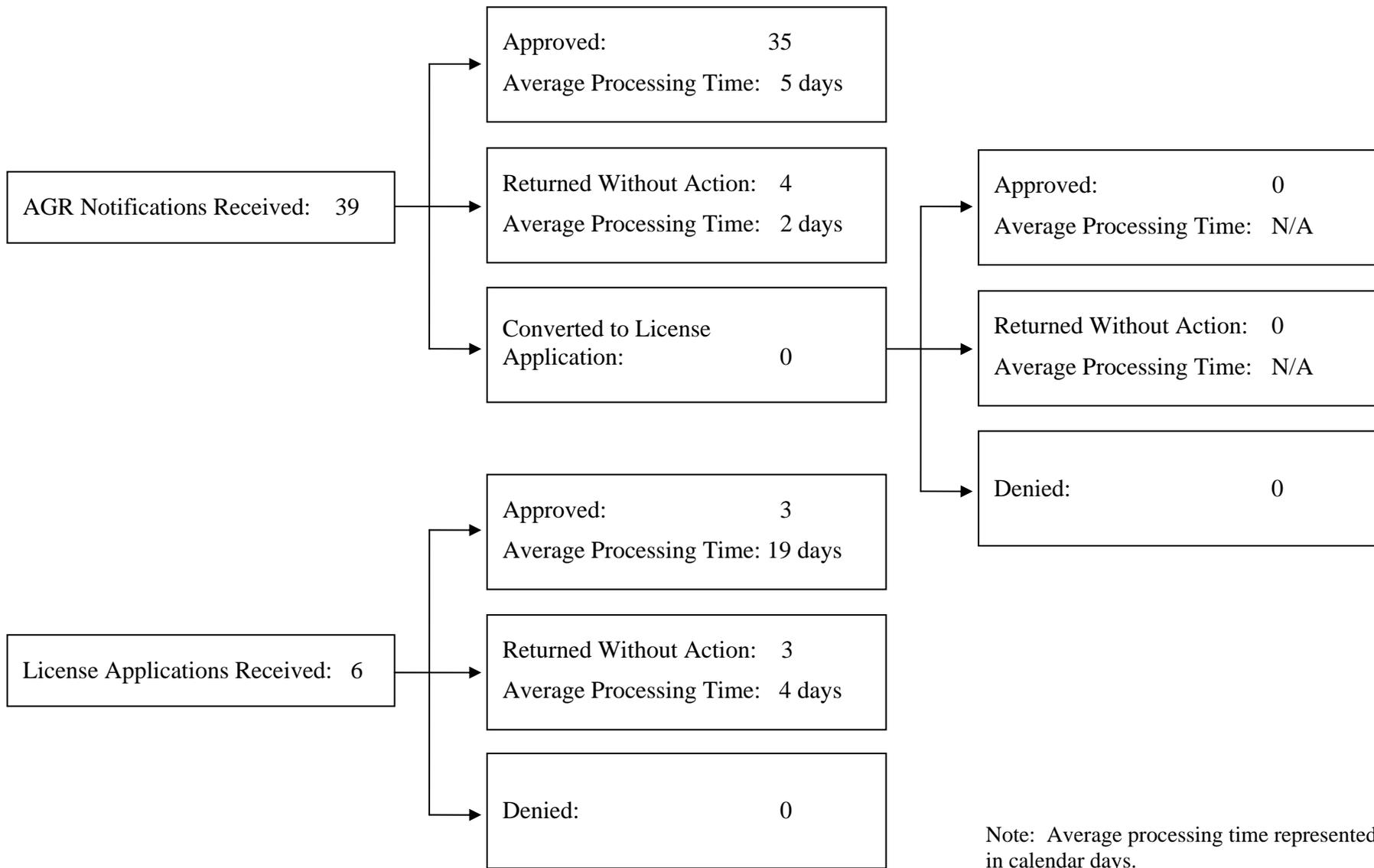
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Enclosure



**Quarterly Report to the Congress on Activities Undertaken by the Department of Commerce Pursuant to
Section 906(b) of the Trade Sanctions Reform and Export Enhancement Act of 2000**

Agricultural Commodities to Cuba
October – December 2009



Note: Average processing time represented in calendar days.