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The Honorable Tim Johnson 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 from April through June 2012. 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 20 notifications under License Exception Agricultural Commodities (AGR) for exports to Cuba. Of these, we approved 19 notifications in an average of eight days. In addition, we returned one notification without action in three days in order to consolidate two notifications submitted by the same exporter.

Additionally, BIS processed two standard export license applications for exports of AGReligible commodities to Cuba during the reporting period. BIS returned these two applications without action in an average of four days to allow the applicants to resubmit the applications as AGR notifications. BIS did not deny any applications for exports of AGR-eligible commodities to Cuba during the reporting period. Enclosed is a chart illustrating these licensing actions.

Sincerely,

Eric L. Hirschhorn

Enclosure



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