

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE Under Secretary for Industry and Security Washington, DC 20230

October 16, 2020

The Honorable Debbie Stabenow
Ranking Member, Committee on
Agriculture, Nutrition and Forestry
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senator Stabenow:

Section 906 of the Trade Sanctions Reform and Export Enhancement Act of 2000, codified at 22 USC §§ 7201-7211, requires the Department of Commerce's Bureau of Industry and Security (BIS) to report to the Congress on certain activities undertaken by BIS relating to exports and reexports of agricultural commodities to Cuba from July 1 through September 30, 2020.

During the reporting period, BIS processed 18 notifications under License Exception Agricultural Commodities (AGR) for exports and reexports to Cuba. BIS approved 15 notifications within an average of ten days. Three additional notifications were returned without action within an average of one day due to errors and deficiencies.

In addition to the aforementioned notifications, BIS approved two standard license applications for the export of AGR-eligible commodities to Cuba within 19 days. BIS also processed one additional license application for AGR-eligible commodities by returning it without action, at the request of the applicant, to be resubmitted as an AGR notification.

Should you have any further questions, please contact Michael Cys, Director, Office of Congressional and Public Affairs for the Bureau of Industry and Security, at (202) 482-1069.

Sincerely.

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Acting Under Secretary for Industry and Security

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