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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Office of the Secretary

Modification of Total Amount of Tariff-Rate Quota for Imported Refined Sugar

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary, USDA.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice modifies the aggregate quantity of sugar that may be entered under subheadings 1701.12.10, 1701.91.10, 1701.99.10, 1702.90.10 and 2106.90.44 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTS) during fiscal year 1996 (FY 96). As modified, such aggregate quantity is 29,258 metric tons, raw value.

EFFECTIVE DATE: July 19, 1996.

ADDRESSES: Inquiries may be mailed or delivered to the Sugar Team Leader, Import Policy and Programs Division, Foreign Agricultural Service, Room 5531, South Building, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Washington, DC 20250-1000.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Stephen Hammond (Sugar Team Leader); telephone: 202-720-1061.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Paragraph (a)(i) of additional U.S. note 5 to chapter 17 of the HTS provides in part that “* * * the aggregate quantity of raw cane sugar entered, or withdrawn from warehouse for consumption, under subheading 1701.11.10, during any fiscal year, shall not exceed in the aggregate an amount (expressed in terms of raw value), not less than, 1,117,195 metric tons, as shall be established by the Secretary of Agriculture (hereinafter referred to as “the Secretary”), and the aggregate quantity of sugars, syrups and molasses entered, or withdrawn from warehouse for consumption, under subheadings 1701.12.10, 1701.91.10, 1701.99.10, 1702.90.10, and 2106.90.44, during any fiscal year, shall not exceed in the aggregate an amount (expressed in terms of raw value), not less than 22,000 metric tons, as shall be

established by the Secretary.” On August 3, 1995, the Secretary established the aggregate quantity of 1,117,195 metric tons, raw value, of raw cane sugar that may be entered under subheading 1701.11.10 of the HTS and the aggregate quantity of 22,000 metric tons (raw value basis) for certain sugars, syrups and molasses that may be entered under subheadings 1701.12.10, 1701.91.10, 1701.99.10, 1702.90.10 and 2106.90.44 of the HTS during FY 96. (60 FR 42142) On November 9, 1995, the Secretary increased the aggregate quantity of raw cane sugar that may be entered under subheading 1701.12.10 to 1,417,195 metric tons. On January 17, 1996, the Secretary increased the aggregate quantity of raw cane sugar that may be entered under subheading 1701.11.10 to 1,817,195 metric tons. On April 1, 1996, the Secretary increased the aggregate quantity of raw cane sugar that may be entered under subheading 1701.11.10 to 2,017,195 metric tons. On June 12, 1996, the Secretary increased the aggregate quantity of raw cane sugar that may be entered under subheading 1701.11.10 to 2,167,195 metric tons.

The United States Trade Representative (USTR) allocated 7,258 metric tons of the raw sugar tariff-rate quota to Mexico. However, Mexico has requested that 7,258 metric tons be made available under the tariff-rate quota for certain other sugars, syrups and molasses that may be entered under subheadings 1701.12.10, 1701.91.10, 1701.99.10, 1702.90.10, and 2106.90.44 of the HTS. The provisions of the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) allows Mexico to export either raw or refined sugar as it determines. Paragraph (a)(ii) of additional U.S. note 5 to chapter 17 of the HTS provides that “the Secretary may modify any quantitative limitations which have previously been established. * * *” Paragraph (b)(I) of U.S. additional note 5 provides that “[t]he quota amounts established [by the Secretary] may be allocated among supplying countries and areas by the United States Trade Representative.” Accordingly, this notice increases by 7,258 metric tons the tariff-rate quota for other sugars, syrups and molasses. Mexico’s total access remains unchanged at 7,258 metric tons.

Notice

Notice is hereby given that I have determined, in accordance with

paragraph (a)(ii) of additional U.S. note 5 to chapter 17 of the HTS, that an aggregate quantity of up to 2,167,195 metric tons, raw value, of raw cane sugar described in subheading 1701.11.10 of the HTS may be entered or withdrawn from warehouse for consumption and 29,258 metric tons (raw value basis) of certain sugars, syrups and molasses may be entered under subheadings 1701.12.10, 1701.91.10, 1701.99.10, 1702.90.10, and 2106.90.44 of the HTS during the period from October 1, 1995, through September 30, 1996.

This modified quota amount will be allocated by the United States Trade Representative.

Signed at Washington, DC on August 8, 1996.

Dan Glickman,

Secretary of Agriculture.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

Initiation of Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Administrative Reviews and Request for Revocation

AGENCY: Import Administration, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of initiation of antidumping and countervailing duty administrative reviews and request for revocation.

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce (the Department) has received requests to conduct administrative reviews of various antidumping and countervailing duty orders and findings with July anniversary dates. In accordance with the Department’s regulations, we are initiating those administrative reviews. The Department also received a request to revoke one antidumping duty order.

EFFECTIVE DATE: August 15, 1996.

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